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Stu Yew

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MEW'S NEWS

So what are you wishing for this Christmas? A new Pokémon game to play? Well although Nintendo are waiting until Spring '07 to release Ranger and Diamond & Pearl, why not buy them now online?

GET RANGER FOR XMAS!

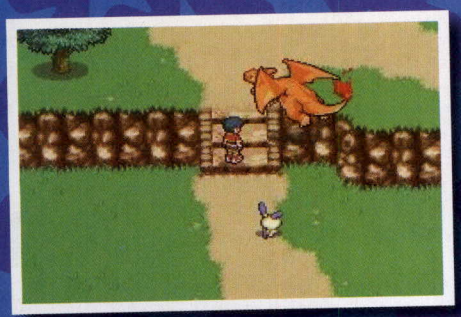
New Pokémon game on sale now!

Fancy a new Pokémon game for your Nintendo DS this Christmas? **Already completed Pokémon Mystery Dungeon?** Well over in the USA, Pokémon Ranger is already in the shops, although the UK release won't be **until Springtime next year.** With the magical power of the internet though, you could be playing the game yourself this Christmas, just get yourself online and order a copy from a videogame import company – there's lots out there. Try **www.videogamecentre.co.uk** for starters – and tell them Pokémon World sent you!

Ahead of the US launch Nintendo revealed lots of details of the English translation of Ranger. **The story begins with a guy called Spenser who is a Ranger Leader.** He receives a letter from you, the player, wanting to become a Pokémon Ranger and invites you to Fall City to be recruited. You start

So many new Pokémon games to look forward to...

your life as a Pokémon Ranger, **protecting nature and helping out others who have had their Pokémon captured** and then the action starts to hot up – the Go-Rock Squad appear from nowhere and steal Professor Hastings' Super Styler. The Super Styler is a **special kind of Capture Styler** that the Go-Rock Squad have been wanting to get their hands on for ages! So, the quest is set – you must explore the region of Fiore, find and defeat the Go-Rock Squad to recover the Styler using captured Pokémon.



Pokémon are always found around the same areas in Ranger.

So what is a Capture Styler then? Well you don't need any Pokéballs in this game, you use the Styler instead. As you enter a battle with a Pokémon, it will be running around. You must **draw circles around the Pokémon** on the DS touch screen to capture it. It has a HP bar shown at the top of the screen and when this reaches zero you have to start from your next save point. Pokémon need different numbers of circles to capture them, and if they break out of your circles before you complete the capture, you must start over again!

We'll have a full review of Pokémon Ranger for you closer to the Spring 2007 UK release. If you buy a copy to play this Christmas, let us know what you think!

LEARN MORE...

If you would like to find out more about the brilliant new Pokémon Ranger, then point your web browser to **www.pokemonranger.com**. Pokémon USA and Nintendo have set up a great website that teaches you all about the new Capture Styler, shows you the new gameplay methods, has videos showing kids playing the game and even has some cool wallpaper for you to use on your computer's desktop.

Lesson 5:
RANGER EVALUATION
QUESTION 1:
A distressed man asks you to help him locate a missing Pokémon. How do you respond?
Immediately spring into action and search for the missing Pokémon.
Ask the man how much he is willing to pay for your services.
GET THE GAME!

DIAMOND & PEARL BUGGED!

Players dissappear into walls in Japanese game!

When you're upset Christmas morning because your Pokémon friends in Japan have got Diamond & Pearl to open, your American friends have Ranger and all you've got is Mystery Dungeon, think again! Nintendo of Japan has been forced to officially confirm that Pokémon Diamond & Pearl has bugs it it!

The glitches allow the player to effectively enter no-man's land and get stuck there for good, spoiling their game and corrupting their save game data! The first glitch happens when players move upstairs in a Pokémon League Building – they end up stuck in the wall! The second glitch is similar – using Surf while facing the automatic door in the room of an Elite Four member gets you stuck in the wall again with no way out!

Bugs this bad in a finished game are fairly rare these days, and maybe point to Nintendo rushing to get the game out in time for the festive season in Japan. We're sure the big N will have fixed all these nasty glitches before the game finally releases in Europe early next year.

If you're clever enough to know Japanese and are playing the game there is a way around the bugs – just don't save! If you get stuck, restart from your last save point. If you have saved, Nintendo are repairing your save game, but you'll have to travel to Japan to do it!

Getting stuck in a wall is no joke! It can be very painful.

The thing to remember is not to save your game when the bug happens!

tour trouble!

Pokémon tours the UK in secret!

There we were, all excited about the Pokémon 10th Anniversary Tour we had heard about, we'd featured the website in the magazine, had our camera ready to take photos – all we needed was to know when it was on. We waited... and waited... then a press release arrived with the dates – our local event had happened two days before and all the dates around the UK would be over before we could tell you about it! So well done The Pokémon Company and Nintendo – I don't think we'll be asking you to organise any parties for us. The guests would turn up a week later, and probably to the wrong address! A real shame, we were looking forward to meeting our readers!

So, if you did manage by some mind-bending telepathic means to see Pokémon on tour in either Southampton, Manchester, Newcastle, London, Bristol, Glasgow, Milton Keynes or Birmingham – send us your photos and we'll print them in a future issue of Pokémon World.

POKÉMON EPISODE GUIDE

Pikachu's Winter Vacation

Brock, Misty and Ash are lucky enough to be spending their Christmas holidays at Professor Oak's beach house, along with their Pokémon of course. Christmas wouldn't be the same without cakes, drink and parties though, so the trainers leave Pikachu in charge of the house while they go out shopping. There's nothing worse than a house full of Pokémon and no trainers though, as you'll soon find out...

Pikachu and Togepi see the trainers off on their shopping trip.

Inside the house, a lovely Christmas tree is decorated for the big day.

Squirtle and Bulbasaur waste no time in trying on their party hats.

The Pokémon are fascinated by the coloured balls on the tree.

Psyduck finds a bottle of Pokémon Cider and starts to shake it!

Bulbasaur chases Squirtle into the tree and Pikachu has to move fast!

Pop! Psyduck's bottle of cider sends a cork bouncing off Pikachu's head. Ouch!

Pikachu is so angry he lets off a Thundershock, that takes out the lights.

Finding a toy Christmas tree calms the Pokémon down a bit, just as the humans arrive back.

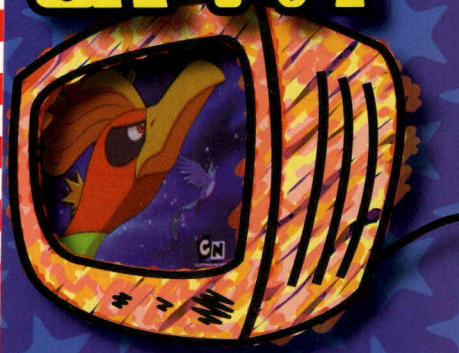
Togepi is pleased to see Ash back again, Pikachu has got the Christmas...

...tree lights working again just in time and the trainers agree it's lovely.

Is it Santa? No, it's a flying Rapidash and a sleigh – well this is Pokémon after all!

Merry Christmas Pokémon World Readers!

WHAT'S ON TV?



SKY ONE

POKÉMON

Every day, 7am

The gang meet up with Sakura and her Pokémon – an Espeon that evolved from her Eevee. This and other stories, every day on Sky One.

POKÉMON ADVANCED

Sundays, 8am

Then catch up with Advanced every Sunday.

CN CARTOON NETWORK

POKÉMON ADVANCED BATTLE

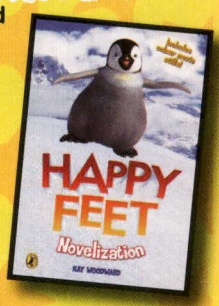
Weekdays, 6.30pm

Morrison begins his battle against muscleman Gavin, while Ash escapes Team Rocket's latest scam to join the fight against Dominic.

DOWN THE BOOK SHOP

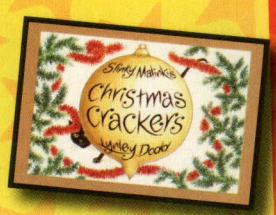
Books for Santa to drop down your chimney this Christmas...

HAPPY FEET NOVELIZATION
by Kay Woodward



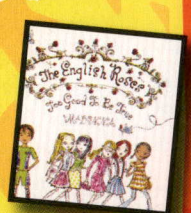
Packed with pictures from the movie, this book will allow you to relive the heart-warming adventures of Mumble the penguin as he tap-dances his way around the Antarctica.

SLINKY MALINKI'S CHRISTMAS CRACKERS
by Lynley Dodd



"Christmas was coming. Out came the tree, dressed up in finery, splendid to see. Trinkets and tinsel with baubles and bows, a mouse with a hat and a very red nose." The perfect stocking filler this Christmas – packed with festive cheer!

THE ENGLISH ROSES: TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE
by Madonna

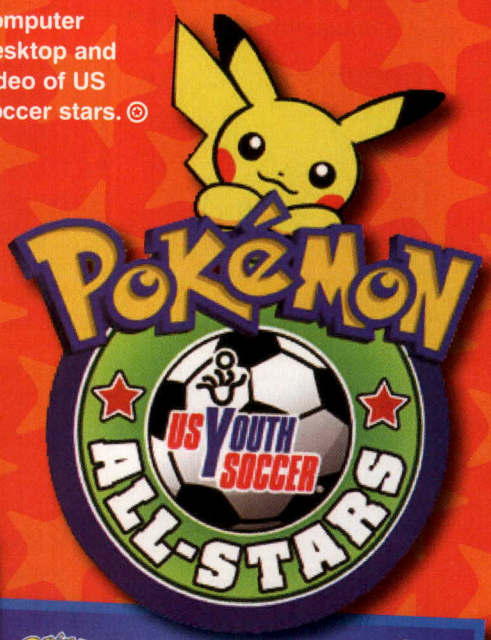


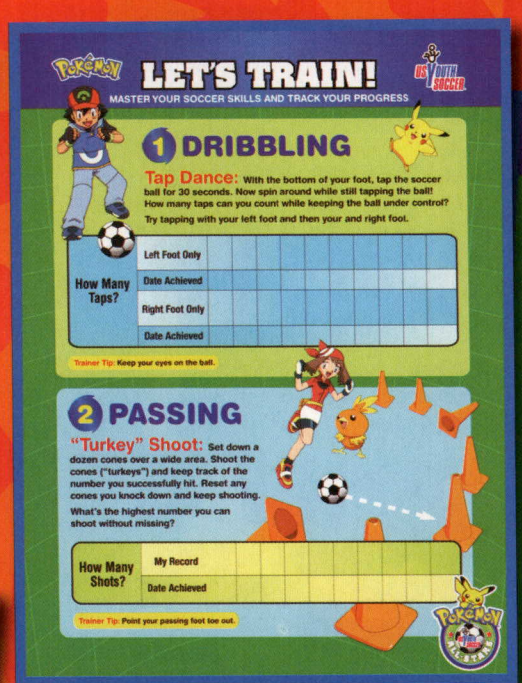
We thought she was a pop star? Apparently she now writes books!

SOCCER SKILLS

Learn to play the Pokémon way!

How are your soccer skills? Need some training and coaching to bring your game up to scratch? Well over in the USA, Pokémon has teamed up with the US Youth Soccer organisation to create a special training programme for young soccer players. There's a secret website all about it at www.pokemon.com/soccersecret/index.html. While you're not going to be able to join if you live in Birmingham, you can download the training cards on the website and join in the PokéSoccer fun for yourself. There are also wallpapers to customise your computer desktop and video of US soccer stars.

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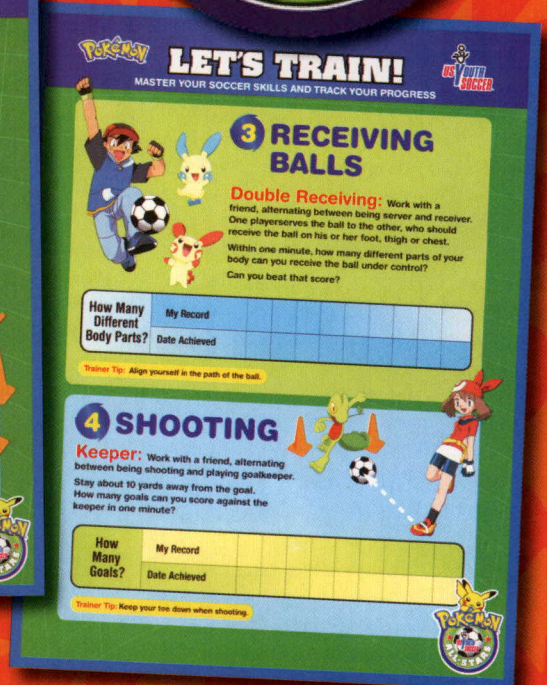
LET'S TRAIN!
MASTER YOUR SOCCER SKILLS AND TRACK YOUR PROGRESS
US YOUTH SOCCER
1 DRIBBLING
Tap Dance: With the bottom of your foot, tap the soccer ball for 30 seconds. Now spin around while still tapping the ball! How many taps can you count while keeping the ball under control? Try tapping with your left foot and then your and right foot.
How Many Taps?
Left Foot Only
Date Achieved
Right Foot Only
Date Achieved
Trainer Tip: Keep your eyes on the ball.
2 PASSING
"Turkey" Shoot: Set down a dozen cones over a wide area. Shoot the cones ("turkeys") and keep track of the number you successfully hit. Reset any cones you knock down and keep shooting. What's the highest number you can shoot without missing?
How Many Shots?
My Record
Date Achieved
Trainer Tip: Point your passing foot toe out.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3 RECEIVING BALLS
Double Receiving: Work with a friend, alternating between being server and receiver. One playerserves the ball to the other, who should receive the ball on his or her foot, thigh or chest. Within one minute, how many different parts of your body can you receive the ball under control? Can you beat that score?
How Many Different Body Parts?
My Record
Date Achieved
Trainer Tip: Align yourself in the path of the ball.
4 SHOOTING
Keeper: Work with a friend, alternating between being shooting and playing goalkeeper. Stay about 10 yards away from the goal. How many goals can you score against the keeper in one minute?
How Many Goals?
My Record
Date Achieved
Trainer Tip: Keep your toe down when shooting.

Fine tune your own soccer skills by downloading these tip sheets.

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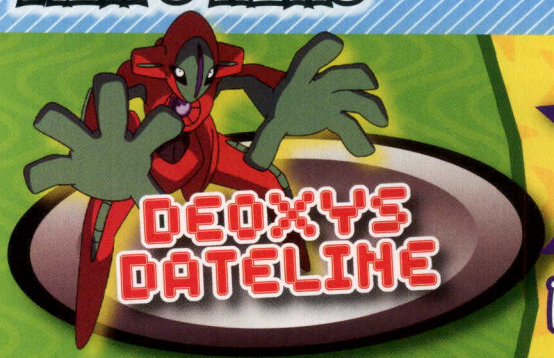
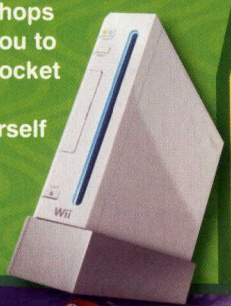


Put these dates in your diary...

8 DECEMBER

Wii will be in the shops and available for you to buy at the super pocket friendly price of £179.99. Grab yourself a copy of Super Smash Bros Brawl while you're about it – you'll be able to play with Pikachu in Next Generation style before anyone else you know... Hooray!



22 DECEMBER

The Official Soundtrack CD of Pokémon Diamond & Pearl is released in Japan on Media Factory/ Pikachu Records. The catalogue number is ZMCP-3242 if you would like to search it out!

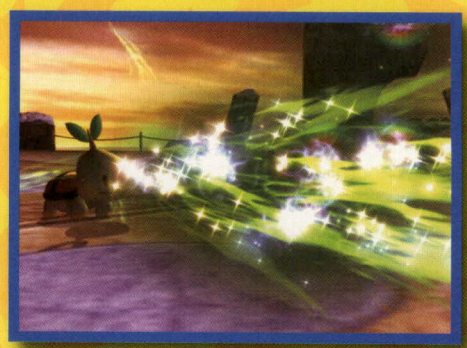
26 DECEMBER

The final issue of Pokémon World for 2006 will be in the shops and comes with a free Calendar for 2007 and a set of dinosaurs to paint. Place your order now with your local newsagents to ensure you don't miss out! Oh, and a Happy New Year to you all!

BATTLE RE

Pokémon on Wii, and Wii've played it!

Wow! You have never seen Pokémon played quite like this before. Pokémon World was lucky enough to get its hands on one of the first copies of Pokémon Battle Revolution in the world (we've got friends in high places!) – and what an amazing game it is! Just take a look at the screenshots on these two pages. What is really cool is that combined



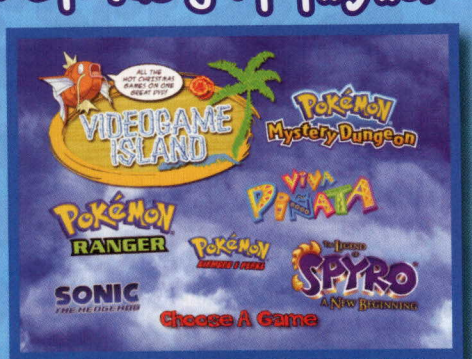
Little Hikozaru doesn't look much, but he can be mean when he wants!

You can see the power bar building up ready to unleash a move.

ON YOUR DVD

Pokémon World's Christmas gift to you!

We would like to say a big thank-you here at Pokémon World – to you, our dear readers. It's been a great year for Pokémon with lots of new trading card expansions to play and some exciting new Pokémon videogames to get to grips with. In fact, it's been a good year for videogames in general – especially this Christmas with a brand new Nintendo console to play with! To celebrate we've put a special DVD



Select a game logo from the menu screen to take a roller coaster ride.

VOLUTION PLAYED!

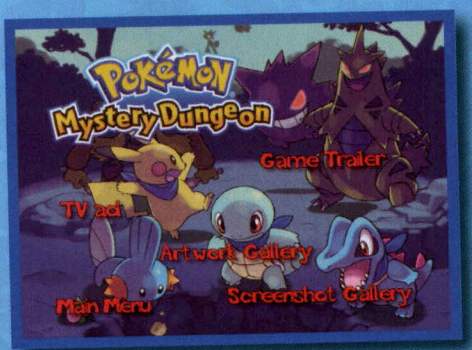
with Diamond & Pearl on the DS, the Wii game makes all your Pokémon battles really come to life – you transfer data from the handheld console to the Wii, then battle on your TV screen using the DS as a controller! It's this amazing connectivity and compatibility that really sets Nintendo games apart from other console companies. That and the fact that Nintendo can pull off simultaneous worldwide console launches! Whoops, sorry Mr PlayStation 3, didn't mean it – your console is very nice too!

Nintendo DSs at the ready – as you can see from this battle scene, players one and two use their DSs to control the action on the Wii.

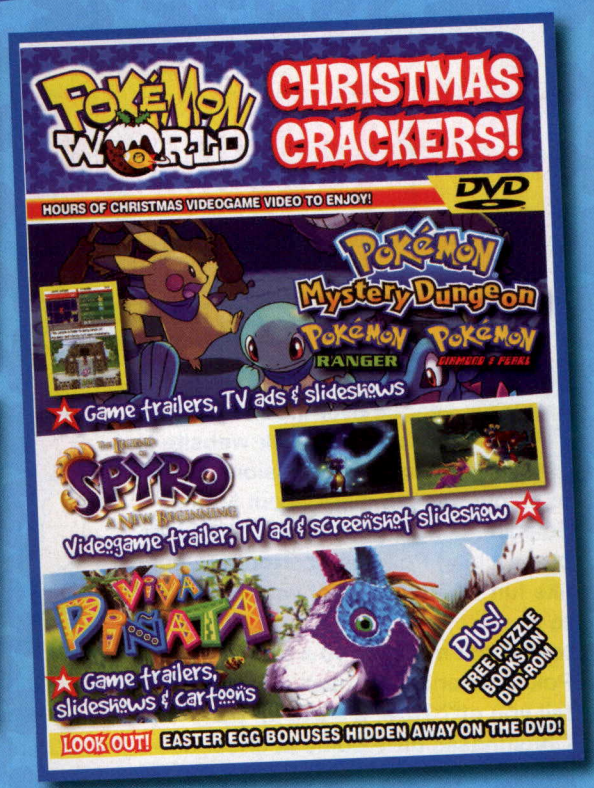
on the front of this issue and packed it full of the best games you can play this festive season – for all videogame formats. Pokémon Mystery Dungeon is on there, along with some teaser video trailers of Ranger and Diamond & Pearl. Then there are the top games Spyro: A New Beginning and Viva Piñata – read more about them in Videogame Island.

If you're feeling clever, there are some hidden Easter Eggs bonuses on the DVD too with extra game footage. See if you can find them. Then for good measure we've put some puzzle books on the disc for you to print out.

So Merry Christmas to you all, we hope you'll join us again in 2007 for more Pokéfun!



You'll find 20 minutes of great Viva Piñata cartoon fun on the DVD!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WEIRD SCIENCE

Pokémon Ruby stars in the Game On exhibition!

If you're in the vicinity of London town this Christmas, maybe you would like to get yourself down to the Science Museum. There you'll get to see the first Pokémon game to be exhibited in a museum – Pokémon Ruby. The game is there as part of the Game On exhibition, sponsored by Nintendo and organised and toured by Barbican Art Gallery, where visitors can explore the history, technology and culture of videogames. It runs from 21 October through to 25 February 2007 and as well as learning about how games are made, you'll also get to play over 120 gaming classics including Super Mario Brothers, Space Invaders and Lara Croft: Tomb Raider.

Prices are £8.50 for adults, £6.50 for children/concessions with discounted family and group tickets available. Book online at www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/gameon/ or call 0870 906 3890. We'll see you there!

Who would have thought it eh? Pokémon Ruby in an exhibition!

MAKE LEARNING FUN

New website launches!

The Pokémon Learning League over in America has just updated their website to include free sessions for all to enjoy. You can learn about Maths, Science, Language Arts and Life Skills by watching Pokémon cartoons! Sound like fun? Well just point your browser to www.pokemonlearningleague.com to find out more for yourself. Watch Pokémon and your mum and dad won't tell you off? Wow, it's like all your Christmases have come at once!

You can either press Play and watch the video, or download a video file.

WIN! WIN! WIN!

YOSHI'S ISLAND 2™

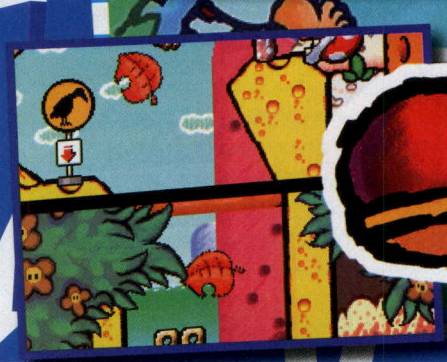
WIN! A NINTENDO DS LITE & 5 YOSHI GAMES!

Doesn't Nintendo's Yoshi's Island 2 look like a fun game? Well you can find out for yourself by entering this competition to win a copy, and a DS Lite! Send you answers to... pokemonworld@imagine-publishing.co.uk or post it to our usual address marking your letter 'Yoshi Compo'...

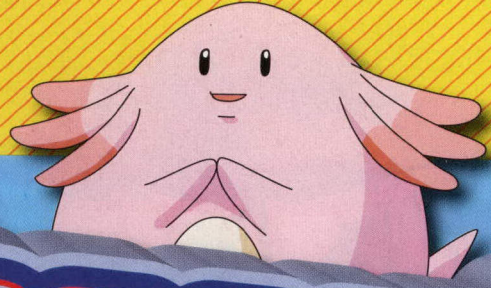
When Yoshi eats enemies, what pops out of his bum?

A. An egg
B. A banana
C. Baby Mario

Put your name, address, age and console you own on your entry and get it to us no later than 3 January – good luck!



Competition Rules
1. All entries must be received by 3 January 2007 2. There is no cash alternative 3. The publisher's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. 4. No employee of Imagine Publishing Ltd, Crispy Chicken Publishing or any company with products on offer within this competition is eligible to enter. 5. Only one entry per person, per competition. 6. By entering, competitors agree to be bound by the rules and requirements of the competition. 7. You may be sent news about products and opportunities from related companies. If you do not wish to receive such information, please indicate as such on your entry.



CHANSEY'S CHEATS

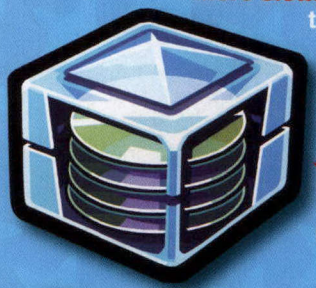
Top tips for Pokémon Emerald and Mystery Dungeon for you this issue including a rather marvellous map that will help you find Friend Areas!

POKEMON MYSTERY DUNGEON

Hints and Tips for a better game!

★ You can have two to three Pokémon in your Rescue Team, but the **maximum body size is six**. The larger the Pokémon, the bigger their body size, so bear this in mind when trying to recruit Pokémon.

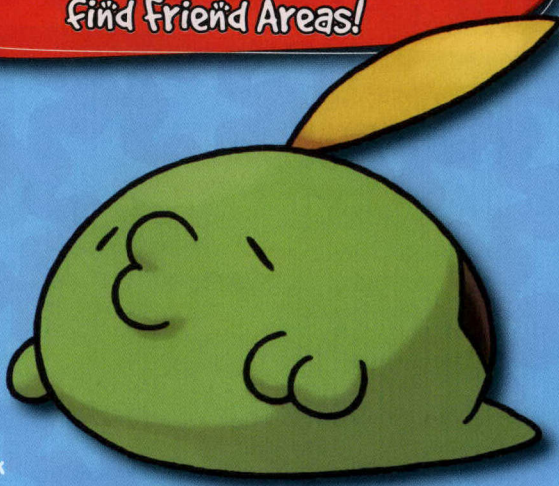
★ Always keep some food with you on your rescue missions. You must **keep a close eye on your Pokémon's bellies**! Fill them up with berries, apples or gummies to keep them going. If you find a Stamina Belt, this will make that Pokémon's belly **empty more slowly**, meaning they will last longer between meals.



★ To help in your boss battles try **linking moves together using a Link Box** or go to Gulpin's shop and pay him to link them for you. Linked moves will always work together when only one is used, giving a boss a double whack! You will need to **experiment with different combinations of moves** to defeat the bosses you come across. If you don't like the one's you're using, return to Gulpin and change them over for free.

★ Complete the main Story Mode of the game and a host of **new dungeons will be available to you**. Think you've completed the game? It's only just beginning...

★ To unlock the Solar Cave visit the Town Square and **talk to the Pokémon in this order**: Medicham, Lombre, Whishcash.



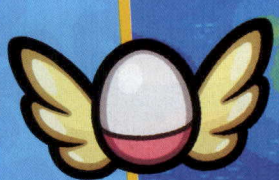
★ In great Pokémon tradition, you haven't really completed the game until you 'catch 'em all' or in this case recruit 'em all to your Rescue Team. **There are 386 Pokémon to find** – and some are only available in the Game Boy Advance version so you'll have to do some linking up!

★ You can have four Reward Statues outside your Rescue Team base. To get a Bonsly Figure **complete the 17 'type' mazes in the Makuhita Dojo**. A Lucario figure is yours if you get the Lucario Rescue Rank. Complete a Wonder Mail mission for a Mime Jr figure or a Weavile figure.

Friend Area Map

You can unlock new Friend Areas in one of five ways – first of all you can buy them from Wigglytuff, but many of these don't become available until you've completed the main Story Mode. Secondly, check out the Bulletin Board job rewards. Complete these missions to be rewarded with a Friend Area. Thirdly, recruit a legendary Pokémon into your Rescue Team and they will give you their Friend Area. The fourth way to open one is to just play through the Story Mode, there are events that will open up new Friend Areas. Finally, some Friend Areas open up automatically just by playing the game. These change depending on the Pokémon you start with, and the Pokémon who becomes your partner.

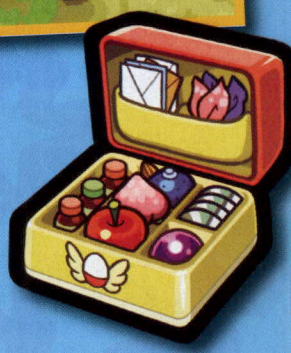
1. Plains
2. River
3. Eastern Forest
4. Eastern Lakes
5. Eastern Ponds
6. Badlands
7. Desert
8. South Plains
9. Jungle
10. Relics
11. Volcano
12. Western Forest
13. Pond
14. Northern Isles
15. Cave
16. Marsh
17. Mountain Range
18. Glacier
19. Northern Lakes
20. Ruins
21. Northern Sea
22. Beach
23. Sky
24. Western Isles
25. Southwest Isles
26. Southern Isles
27. Southern Sea



If you need to stock up on Gummies, get yourself over to the Uproar Forest – it's full of them! Try using the X-Ray Specs and you'll find them easily.

If you're wondering why your Pokémon don't want to evolve, you may find that they simply won't until you've completed the main Story Mode of the game.

To find Buried items you will need to smash walls down with Rock Smash or have a Pokémon with the Pick-up ability in your team – they will stand a chance of getting a Buried item each level. Alternatively you could try a Ghost Pokémon as they can walk through walls to find the items.

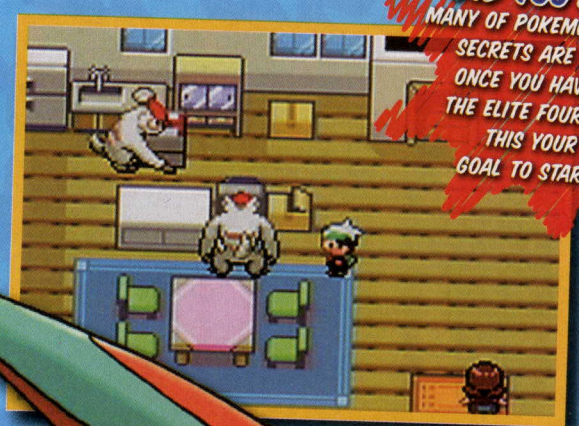


pokémon emerald

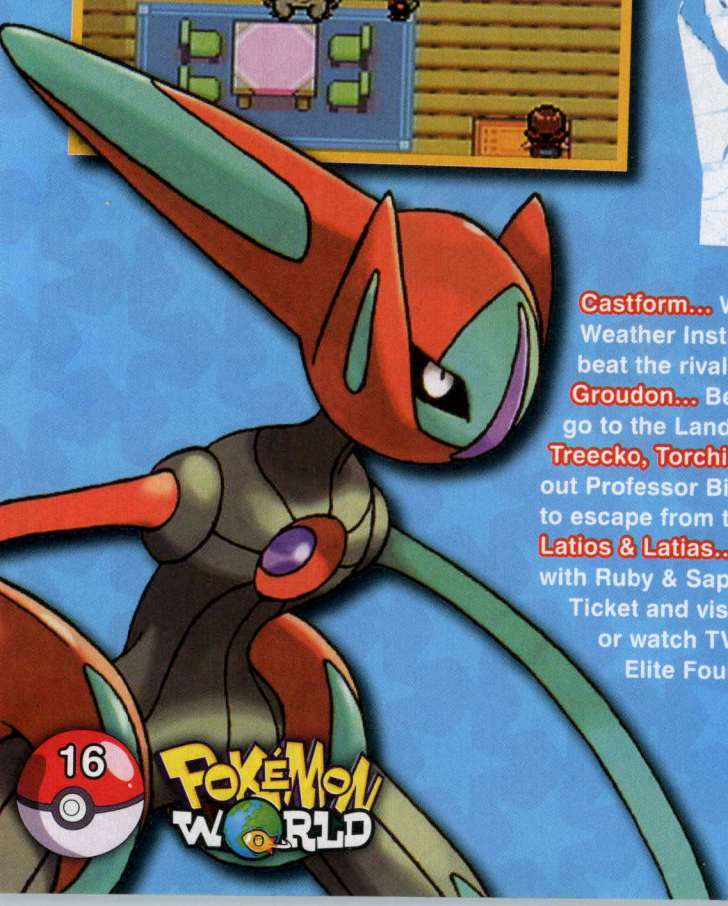
Unlock Special Pokémon

You'll find that there are special Pokémon in the game that can only be caught and added to your Pokédex when you have triggered certain events. Here's a list to help you catch 'em all...

Kyogre... Defeat the Elite Four and then go to the Sea Lair.
Deoxys... Find the Aurara Ticket and then travel to Birth Island.
Beldum... Once you've beaten the Elite Four, go to Steven's house.



DID YOU KNOW?
MANY OF POKEMON EMERALD'S SECRETS ARE UNLOCKED ONCE YOU HAVE BEATEN THE ELITE FOUR. SO MAKE THIS YOUR MAIN GOAL TO START WITH!



Castform... When you're at the Weather Institute, make sure you beat the rival team.
Groudon... Beat the Elite Four and go to the Land Lair.
Treecko, Torchic & Mudkip... Help out Professor Birch when he's trying to escape from the wild Pokémon.
Latios & Latias... Either mix records with Ruby & Sapphire with the Eon Ticket and visit the Southern Island or watch TV after beating the Elite Four.

Berry Master's Wife Passwords

Each day you can tell the Berry Master's wife a different phrase to receive berries from her. Here's what to say...

CHALLENGE CONTEST

Use this phrase to receive a Pamtre Berry.

COOL LATIOS

The Durin Berry will be your reward with this phrase.

GREAT BATTLE

This phrase will earn you the Spelon Berry.

OVERWHELMING LATIAS

Try this phrase for a Warmel Berry.

SUPER HUSTLE

The Belue Berry is your prize with this phrase.

National Pokédex Diploma

Fancy earning yourself a diploma in catching Pokémon? Well once you've got all 386 of the monsters in your Pokédex, take a trip to the hotel in Lilycove City and talk to the Game Designer there – he will reward you with the special gift!

Chikorita, Cyndaquil & Totodile... Professor Birch will call you on the Pokénav when you've completed the 200 Pokémon of Hoenn.
Ho-oh & Lugia... Go to Navel Island once you've got the Mystic Ticket.
Mew... Once you have the Old Sea Chart in your possession, travel to Faraway Island.
Rayquaza... Have Magma and Aqua get Kyogre and Groudon out of the cave and then go on to visit the Sky Pillar.

POKÉMON SNAP

Taking Great Pictures

You can't just go around snapping at Pokémon willy-nilly and hope that you're going to earn a big score, you know! You've got to take a much more professional approach to your photography. Here are some tips...

1. Never take a shot of a Pokémon's back. The photo should always have them from the side or straight on for maximum effect.
2. Learn which Pokémon will score higher than others – that way you can ensure you focus in on the right ones when there are lots of them around.
3. Make sure you get the whole Pokémon in the frame of your photo – they hate having bits cut off and you will lose points.
4. Taking your photos from as close as possible will ensure that you get maximum points for the shot.
5. On certain levels it's a good idea to concentrate on photographing one type of Pokémon only. The Beach is a perfect example where you'll find lots of Lapras to add to your collection.
6. When you have a shot of a certain Pokémon – don't stop at just that one – take lots, then you'll have plenty of different shots to choose from.

POKÉMON DASH

Balloons & Lapras

There are things you need to learn about the balloons in the game. They allow you to float anywhere in a course, but make sure you don't pop them over a brick pathway! You should only pop the balloon when you're over an ice landscape. Also, you won't be able to land in the ocean or forest.

Game Boy Cups

Once you've beaten the five cups that come with the game, you can create new ones to try by inserting your old Game Boy Pokémon games into your DS. The game uses the save data from your Pokémon teams to create special cups. The amount of time you have to race depends on what level your Pokémon were at in your Game Boy games!

Shiny Trophies

If you make sure you don't retry any of the races in a cup, the trophy you win will be an extra shiny one!

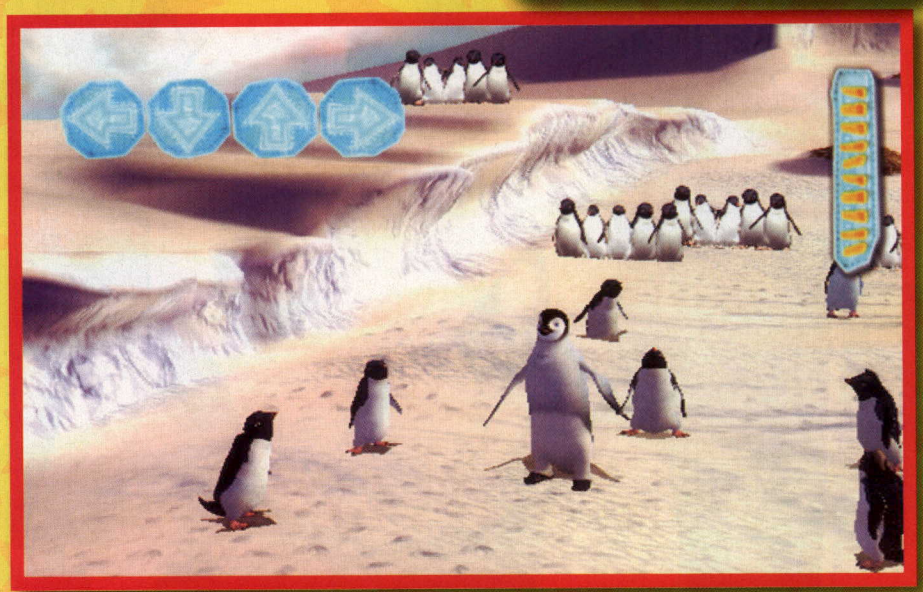
NEW GAMES PREVIEWED AND REVIEWED ON ALL FORMATS!

VIDEOGAME ISLAND

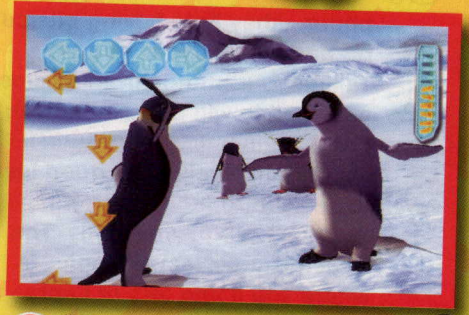
HAPPY FEET

Well it's cold outside isn't it, so let's put a few penguins into Pokémon World! Happy Feet is a charming little tale about penguins who have to sing to attract their soul mates. It's based on the Warner Bros movie of the same name, and Midway Games snapped up the rights to bring out eight (count 'em) console versions! We'd have thought the penguins would be more cartoony, but the game looks like loads of fun!

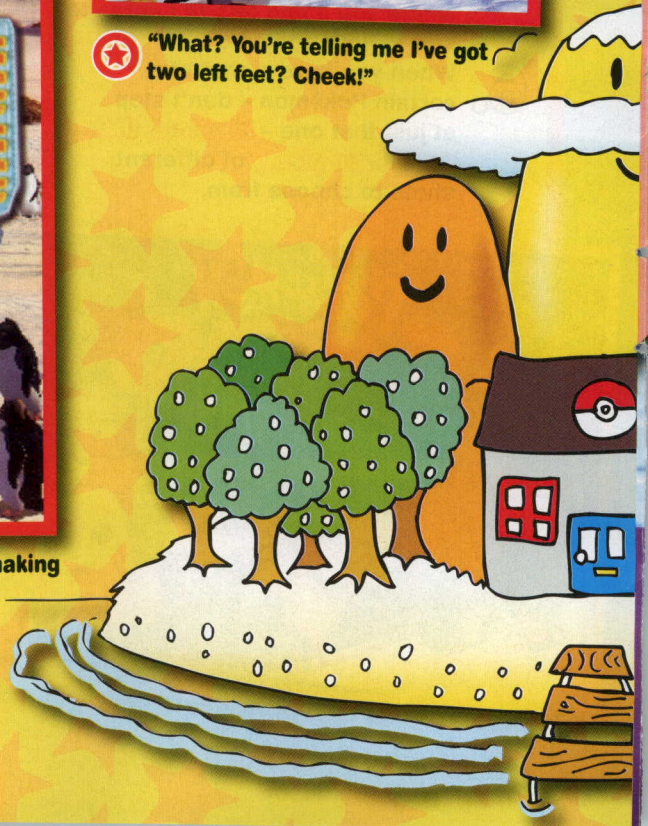
Console	PS2, PSP, PC, Xbox, GC, Wii, DS, GBA
From	Midway
Due out	Very soon!



By following the on-screen prompts, you must control your little penguin, making him sing and dance like he's never done before. Or no soul mate for him!



"What? You're telling me I've got two left feet? Cheek!"

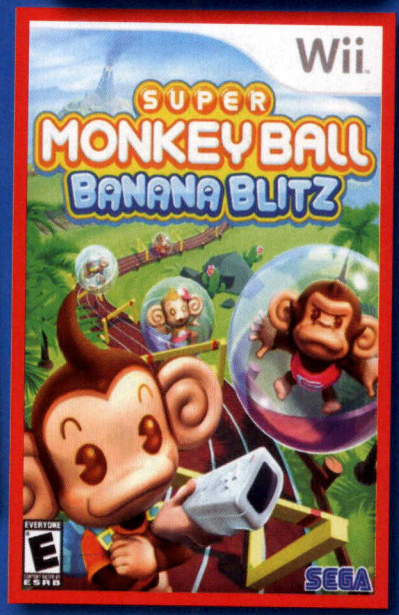


SUPER MONKEY BALL BANANA BLITZ

Console	Nintendo Wii
From	Sega
Due out	6 December

Yeah more monkeys! And this time on Nintendo's sparkly new console the Wii. **Using Wii's unique motion sensing controller** this is a great game to showcase the console. Sega has created a multitude of puzzle levels and a barrel-load of thrilling new party games to play – **could it make the perfect addition to your Christmas parties this year**? With boss battles and a Monkey Ball jumping move for the first time, controlled by flicking the controller, this will please Monkey Ball fans and party gamers alike. Brilliant fun for all the family!

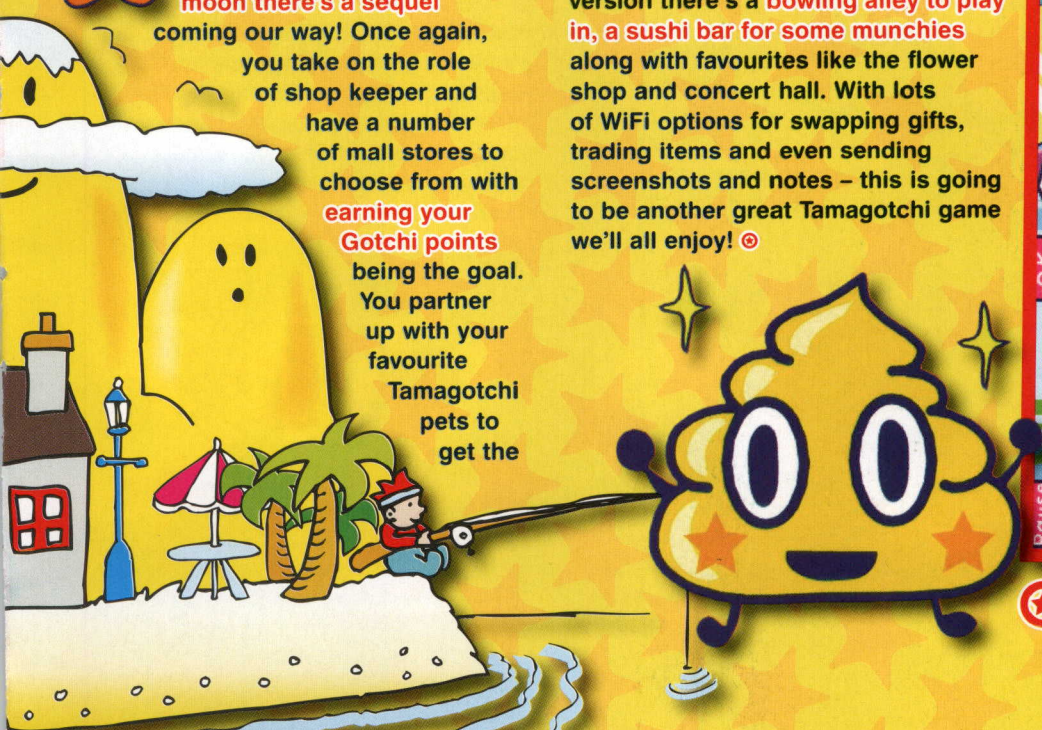
Nintendo are the console masters, Sega the gaming masters – what a combination!



TAMAGOTCHI CONNECTION: CORNER SHOP 2

Console	Nintendo DS
From	Bandai Namco
Due out	January

We loved the first Tamagotchi DS game here at Pokémon World, so **we're over the moon there's a sequel** coming our way! Once again, you take on the role of shop keeper and have a number of mall stores to choose from with **earning your Gotchi points** being the goal. You partner up with your favourite Tamagotchi pets to get the work done and using the DS's stylus must click options to keep your customers happy at all times. In this version there's a **bowling alley to play in, a sushi bar for some munchies** along with favourites like the flower shop and concert hall. With lots of WiFi options for swapping gifts, trading items and even sending screenshots and notes – this is going to be another great Tamagotchi game we'll all enjoy!



Inflicting pain on little Tamagotchis should never be this much fun!

THE LEGEND OF SPYRO
A NEW BEGINNING

There are many examples of videogames being made into Hollywood movies over the years, but not many of Hollywood movie stars making their way in the videogame world. Well the new Spyro game from Sierra has amazingly roped in the **talents of Hollywood A-listers Elijah Wood** (he played Frodo Baggins in Lord Of The Rings) to play Spyro, David Spade (an American comedian from stand-up show Saturday Night Live) as Spark and Gary Oldman (**he was Sirius Black in Harry Potter And The Goblet Of Fire**) as Ignitus. Wow, quite a cast!

For this new multi-format game, Sierra has gone right back to the **origins of the Spyro The Dragon character** – you get to see him as a hatchling and new-born dragon, so naturally he looks a lot younger than previous games.

Little Spyro left his home in search of the truth about his past, but instead of finding a cosy tale of mum and dad dragon sitting by the fireside, **he makes a shocking discovery** – he was raised in a swamp by a family of dragonflies and the fate of the entire world rests on his little wings! An evil and **mysterious black dragon called Cynder** is threatening everything little Spyro holds dear, so our hero must realise his destiny and unlock the explosive powers he has within him to defeat Cynder and create peace in the land once more.

These boss battles are really quite tough!

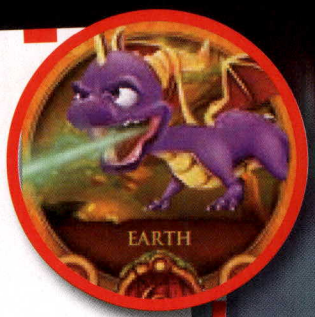
The DS game is packed with exciting storyline and great gameplay.

Right from the very start, Spyro: A New Beginning is a **non-stop, explosive action game**, no matter which console version you choose to play. The levels are very well designed with lots of nooks and crannies to explore and secrets to uncover. Spyro has a collection of elemental breath attacks – **Earth, Ice, Fire and Electricity**, and there's an excellent upgrade system that allows you to improve these abilities throughout the game. The plucky little dragon can

Console	DS, GBA, GC, PS2, Xbox
From	Vivendi Games
Due out	Out now

DRAGON POWER!

A small purple dragon, little Spyro is adventurous, curious about his past and eager to shape his future. He shows the recklessness of a teenager but he is slowly growing into his role as the leader of a proud dragon species. This is Spyro's coming of age as he discovers his true origins and embarks on a quest to fight the mighty dragon Cynder. Spyro can spout a variety of substances from his mouth to help him get through the tricky levels... Earth, Electricity, Fire and Ice.



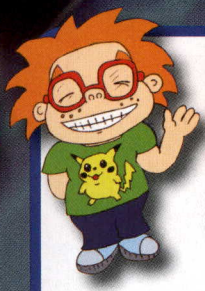
take to the skies to battle it out with airborne enemies, land and carry on attacking ground-based foes without batting an eyelid! He can use massive, long-range fury attacks or a combination of ground and air melee attacks and combos on his enemies to sort them out!

If you're good enough to make it through the levels to a boss attack, you'll be in for some tough gaming challenges in the new Spyro game!

DID YOU KNOW?

SPYRO THE DRAGON WAS ONE OF THE LAUNCH GAMES ON THE PLAYSTATION. HE WAS MEANT TO TAKE ON MARIO!

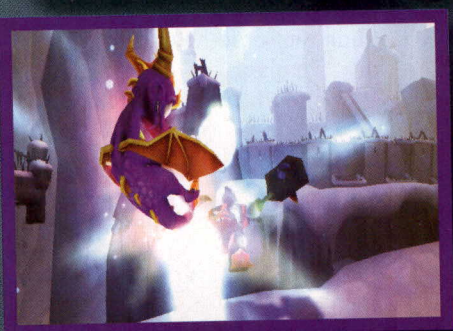
The Scorpion Beetles are extra large beasts and serve as mounts for Cynder's top commanders. Beware of their vicious claws and deadly sting!



2nd Opinion

Many gamers would simply dismiss a new Spyro game for being a bit rubbish after the many average PlayStation outings, but give it another chance! There's lots to enjoy in Spyro: A New Beginning. On top of a platform/battle game with great moves to learn and enemies to defeat, there's the brilliant storyline that chugs along nicely with a great Hollywood cast doing voices! I for one am going to give Spyro a second go, it's great!

Stu Yew



The icy wastelands have many hidden secrets to discover.

There are many mean bosses lurking at the end of levels and you must learn what combination of breaths, melee and ranged fury attacks will work best to defeat them.

Add to all this some of the best cinematic sequences that have ever graced a platform game and you've got one winning combination! Vivendi Games and Sierra have really taken the time to make sure this Spyro sequel ticks every box. The difficulty setting is just about right for the younger gamer out there, and the animated sequences you are rewarded with will urge you on to complete the game.

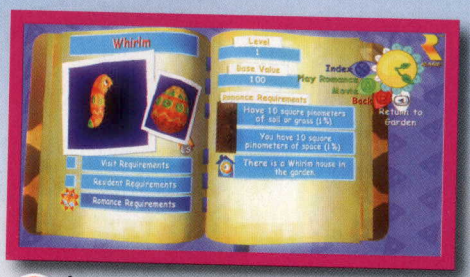
Score 4/5

VIVA PIÑATA

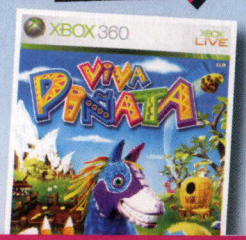
I bet you've never given piñata much thought – unless you're Mexican. In Mexico piñata are used at celebrations to give the kids a bit of fun. They are usually animal shaped and made from flimsy material that will rip open when hit with sticks by blindfolded kids! "What's inside?" you ask – sweets and toys! Someone from Rare must have been on holiday in Mexico when they had a brainwave that became their latest videogame masterpiece – Viva Piñata for Xbox 360.

In the game you're in charge of a garden. You must use your imagination and creativity to attract, protect and manage more than 60 types of piñata. They will visit your garden, and if they like it they will stay and make it their home. You start out with quite basic controls, but once you've been playing for a couple of hours with new features being introduced all the time, you'll soon have command of the many customisable elements to your garden. The choices you make will determine the kind of piñata you attract. Sowing grass, digging ponds, planting flowers and growing trees will make your garden unlike any other. Then there are ornamental features you can add and structures you can build. You'll soon learn which piñata you're appealing to, some will stay and others will pass you by.

With your garden created, the fun really starts as you can customise your new piñata community by naming them and giving them a tag designed



Learn all about your cuddly friends in the big piñata book.



Console	Xbox 360
From	Microsoft
Due out	2 December

When two piñata get friendly they do a special love dance. Ahhhh.

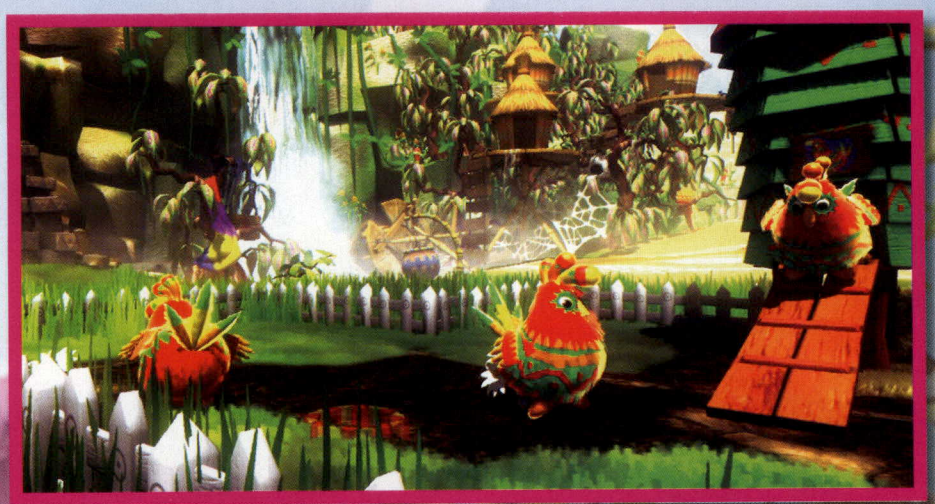
2nd Opinion

You can always count on Rare to come up with the goods. They've been responsible for some of my favourite games of all time – and my dad's! Viva Piñata is just genius, pure and simple. The characters are instantly adorable, the graphics are lush and packed with colour and the gameplay is like nothing you've experienced before. Add to this the fact that you can also watch the TV show, buy the toys and probably even eat from the lunchbox and you've got the full multimedia brand experience! Well worth buying an Xbox 360 for.

Stu Yew

Watch out! That is one scary looking crocodile! Or is it an alligator? Hmm...

Pigs and bears living together in perfect harmony. It could only happen in the Viva Piñata universe!



Build a little house and put a fence around it and what do you know? Little chicken piñata soon turn up and move in to the place!

IT'S A TV SHOW TOO!

Rare and Microsoft have joined forces with cartoon creators 4Kids to launch a cartoon series set in the Viva Piñata universe. Unlike the game, the characters actually talk to each others in the TV show. 4Kids was the company behind Yu-GI-Oh!, Pokémon and Turtles, so they know what they're doing!

DID YOU KNOW?

RARE WAS ORIGINALLY KNOWN AS ULTIMATE: PLAY THE GAME AND MADE GAMES FOR THE ZX SPECTRUM!

Rare has used a unique graphical style making the game look great!

by your fair hand. Then you can add costumes and accessories to make them uniquely yours!

All is not rosy in the garden though and sour piñata can occasionally turn up to cause trouble, spilling candy all over the place! Anything can happen while you're playing the game as it's an ever-changing, living world of strange creatures. The longer you play, the more piñata experiences you will have and the better you will get at keeping your community a nice place to live.

Of course, Xbox 360 is most famous for its Xbox Live online capabilities, and Viva Piñata makes great use of these. You can invite other players to visit your garden and lend a hand, set them challenges or just get some tips on keeping your piñata happy. Rare plans to release new piñata online for you to download too, along with extra accessories and costumes to enjoy.

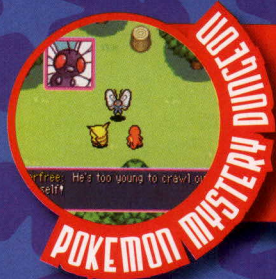
While there's no real goal in the game, except to make the value of your garden and piñata as high as possible, it's the feeling of customisation and interaction with the Viva Piñata universe that will keep you playing for hours on end. It's the kind of game that you will likely never get to see everything that is has to offer. Rare is not planning a strategy guide – you've got to discover all the secrets for yourself. A genius game!

Score 5/5

POKÉMON WORLD

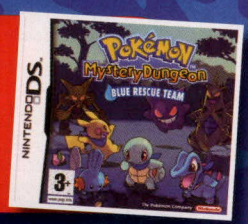
THE FIVE GAMES OF CHRISTMAS!

okay, we didn't have room for 12, but here are 5 more great games that we wouldn't mind in our stocking!



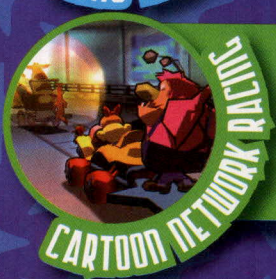
Console Nintendo DS/GBA
From Nintendo
Due out Out now

We reviewed it last issue, and it's still high on our 'highly recommended' list for this Christmas. If you haven't played it yet – give it a go. With its mixture of dungeon exploration and the appeal of recruiting rare Pokémon to your Rescue Teams, it's not Diamond & Pearl, but it will do us for the time being!



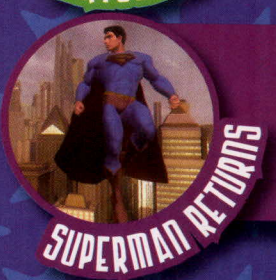
Console GBA/Xbox 360
From Sega
Due out Out now

Very different versions – the Xbox 360 is the first Next Gen Sonic and will also be on the Playstation 3 when it comes out, the GBA game is a conversion of the Mega Drive classic, squeezed down into the handheld. We love the original, so we're recommending it for a quick burst of super-speed gameplay!



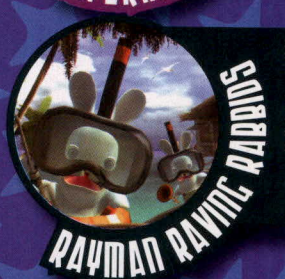
Console Nintendo DS/PlayStation2
From The Game Factory
Due out 1 December

Packed with characters from your favourite Cartoon Network shows, this is a fun racing game that doesn't try to change the world, but offers you the chance to burn some rubber with your favourite cartoon stars. Both the PS3 and DS games have super-slick 3D graphics, with the DS having a map on the second screen.



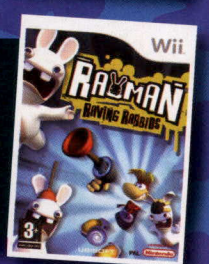
Console PSP, Nintendo DS, Xbox 360, Xbox, GBA, PS2
From Electronic Arts
Due out 1 December onwards

Go anywhere and do anything in Metropolis as Superman. Non-linear gameplay allows you to explore and play the game exactly how you want to at your own pace. Where and how you fly – to the top of skyscrapers, dodging elevated trains – is completely up to you!



Console Nintendo DS, PC DVD-ROM, PS2, Wii, Xbox
From Ubisoft
Due out 8 December

Loads of versions, but the game was made for the Wii really as the games are all motion based. Basically, a bunch of mad rabbit-like creatures are on the loose and you've got to sort them out. A completely different kind of game for Rayman – and some would say that that's a good thing!



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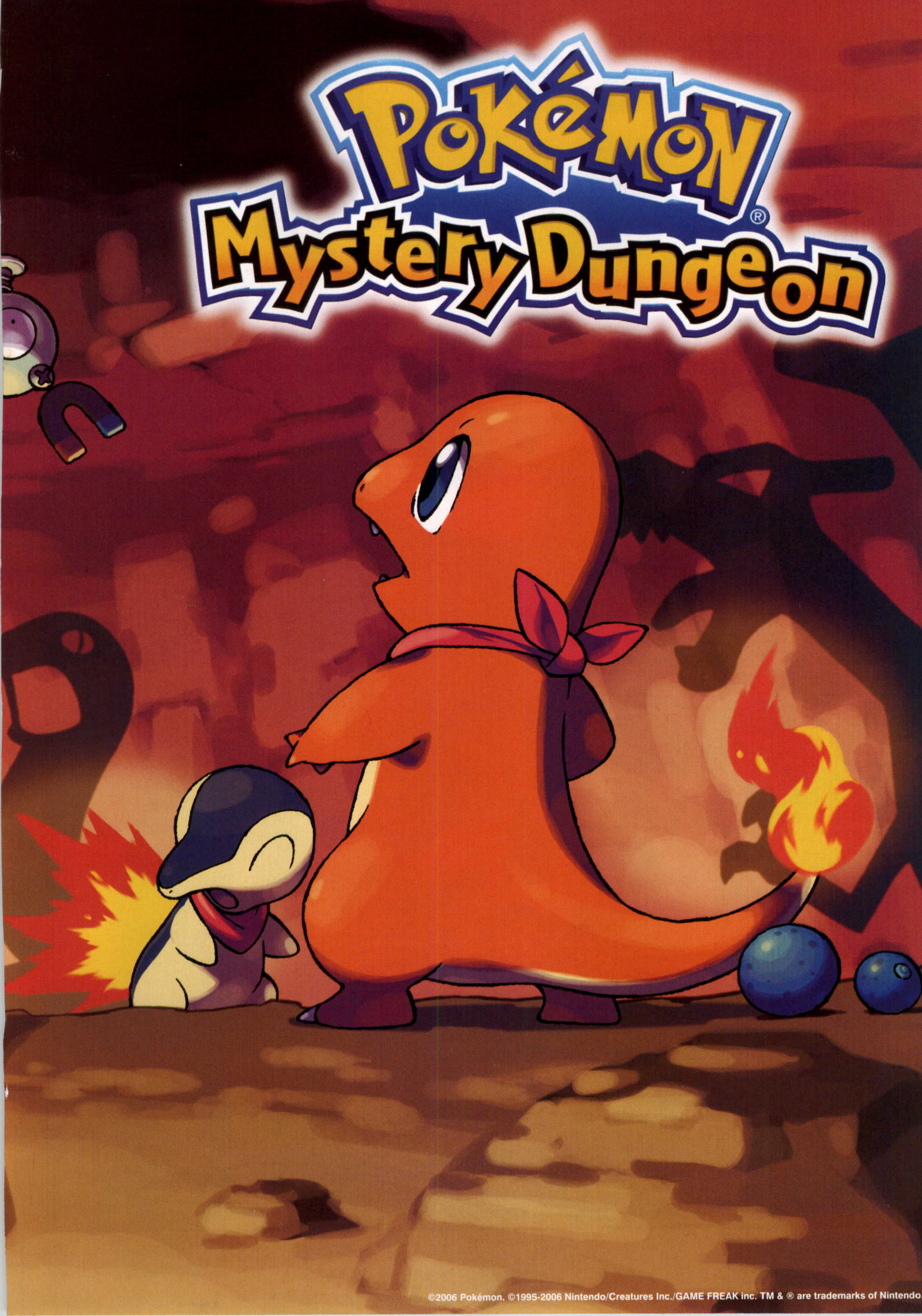

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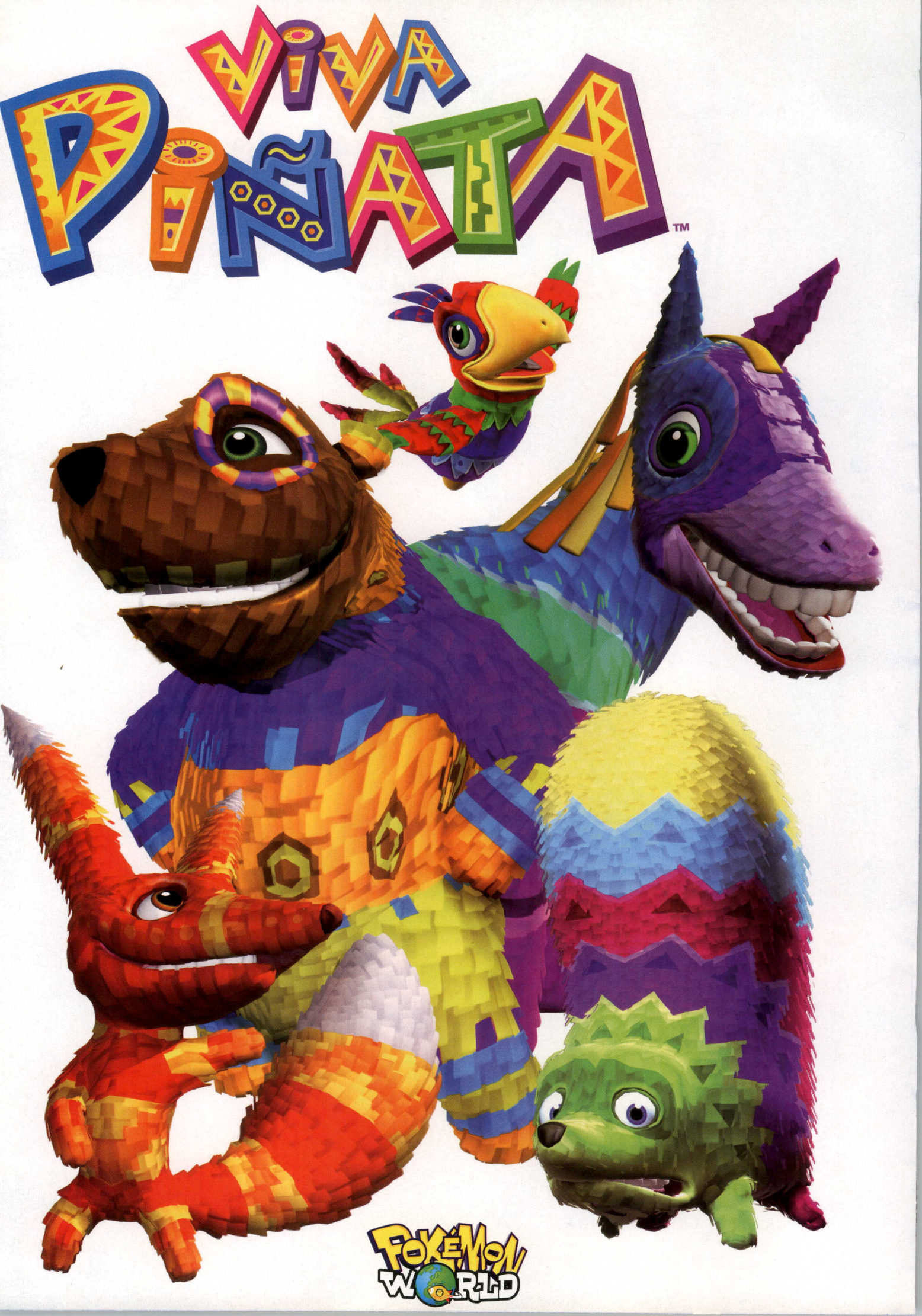
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Ho, Ho, Ho!

Q Dear Professor Yew, While surfing the internet recently I came across this picture of a Pokémon Christmas tree that was used to decorate a Japanese airport. I thought it was so cool I should share it with other Pokémon World fans.
From Matthew Merrick, Grimsby

A Thanks Matt!, This photo has really got us in the mood for Christmas here in the Pokémon World office (even though we're writing this back in October!). If you find any Pokémon oddities on your travels, be sure to send us a photo and we'll print it in a future issue of your favourite magazine!

Ho-Oh - how?

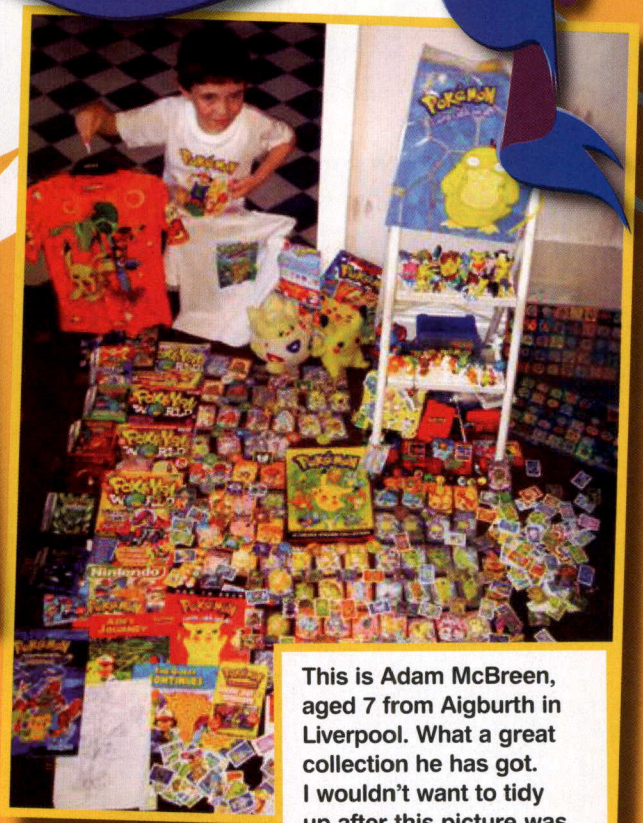
Q Dear Professor Yew, Yew how do you get Ho-Oh in Colosseum because I need him to complete my Pokédex in Fire Red.
From Peter Scott, via email

A Well Peter, from the Colosseum Mode menu you must select the Register Pokémon option and select the team registed from Story Mode. Now beat all 100 trainers and you will be rewarded with a level 70 Ho-Oh. Sound easy eh? Well it's not, this is going to be one tough cookie for you to crack methinks!

A Christmas collector's corner Special as we've had so many sent in. Send your pic to... collector's corner, Pokémon World, Richmond House, 33 Richmond Hill, Bournemouth, BH2 6EZ

COLLECTOR'S CORNER

Scott Binnie, age 10 from Ayr has collected his Pokémon stuff over seven years. His favourite items are his Game Boy games and his Pokémon EX cards. Cool!



This is Adam McBreen, aged 7 from Aigburth in Liverpool. What a great collection he has got. I wouldn't want to tidy up after this picture was taken. Well done Adam!

Peter Daniels, age 9 from Marown, Isle of Man has been collecting Pokémon stuff since he was two!

Dominic Webb, age 10 from Rotherham has been collecting for eight years now. Keep going Dominic!

DESIGN A MONSTER!

Fancy seeing your monster creation on these pages? Send it in to this address... Design a Monster, Pokémon World, Richmond House, 33 Richmond Hill, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH2 6EZ.

Monster of the Month!

Evolution: Unown fossils

Brashonite

01

Pokémon type: Poison/Lizard

Special attacks: Poison Fang, Hyper Slash, Tail Slash

Brief Description: This Pokémon is extremely hard to train and a Master Ball is needed to catch it. It is mostly found in pitch black caves.

Dominic Giffen, age 11, Belfast

If you'd like the chance to create a Star Monster too, then send your ideas to the usual address!

Pokémon World Star Monster!

Evolution: None

Shaka

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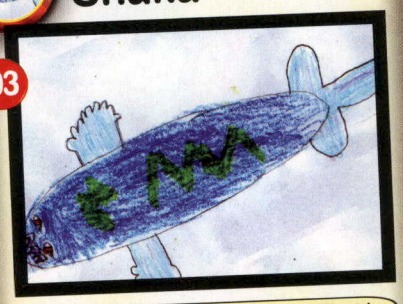
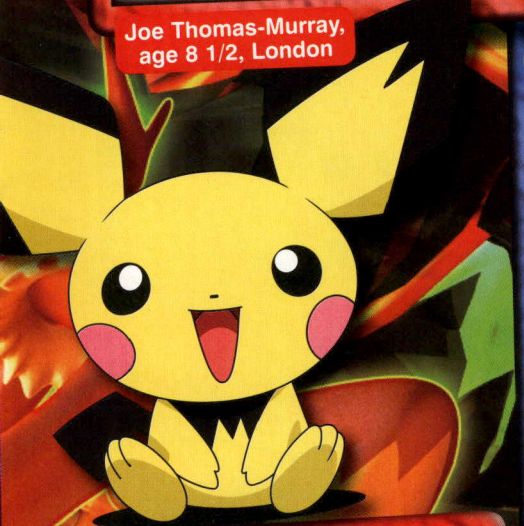


Pokémon type: Water/Fight/Flying/Electric

Special attacks: Slash, Big Bang, Dive, Waterfall, Tidalwave

Brief description: Shaka's tail is so long, wavy and strong that it knocks out everything in its path. Other special moves it can learn include Fish Catch, Thunder and Tail Whack!

Joe Thomas-Murray, age 8 1/2, London



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A SURVEY CONDUCTED IN 1990 DISCOVERED THAT 1 IN 3 PEOPLE ACTUALLY BELIEVE IN GHOSTS!

Evolution: None

Gracon

06

Pokémon type: Fire/Flying

Special attacks: Fire Ball, Flamethrower, Fire Blast, Fly

Brief description: A very rare Pokémon. When this monster flies it sparkles so beautifully everybody's eyes fill with tears. It has also been known as the Floating Crystal.

Ben Pearce, age 8, Whitby

Evolution: Evolves from Onix with Fire Stone

Firix

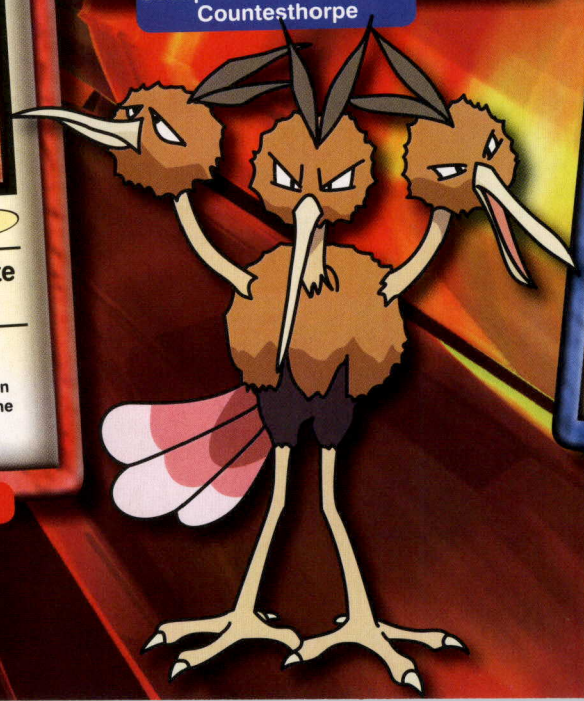
02

Pokémon type: Fire/Rock

Special attacks: Fire Tail, Dragon Breath, Eruption

Brief description: Feed Onix a Fire Stone and several rocks and he will set alight. Because of the heat, his remaining rocks will turn purple. Other moves include the All-Out-Blast and Skull Bash.

Joseph Bullivant, age 10, Countesthorpe



Evolution: The baby form of Onix

Bronix

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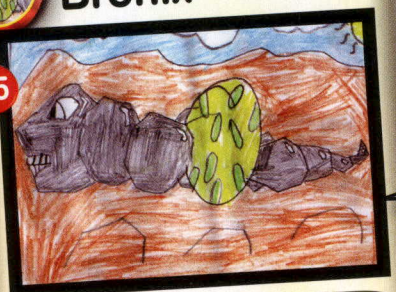

Pokémon type: Rock/Ground

Special attacks: Dig, Concrete Ball, Shatter, Rock Slide

Brief description: Bronix travel in with Onix. Bronix are stuck in the shell which they were born in.

John Patterson, age 11, Ayr

Evolution: Evolves from Toy Boy

Toy Man

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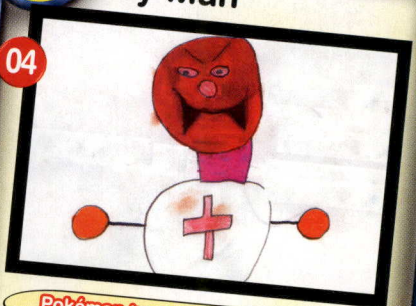

Pokémon type: Water/Thunder/Fire

Special attacks: Mega Fangs, Fire Plus, Fish Slap, Dynamic Thunder Punch

Brief description: One of the more bizarre Pokémon out there and so rare that you will only come across it once in a lifetime, on a Wednesday.

Reece Mockford, age 10, Eastbourne

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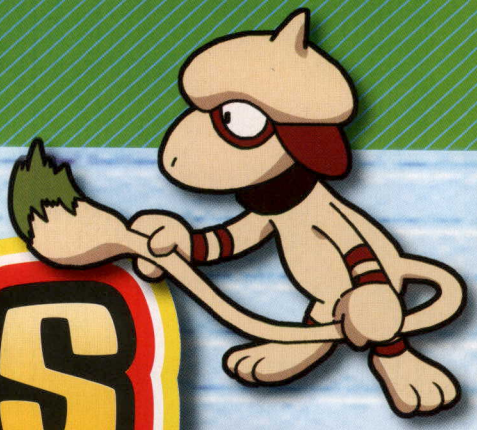
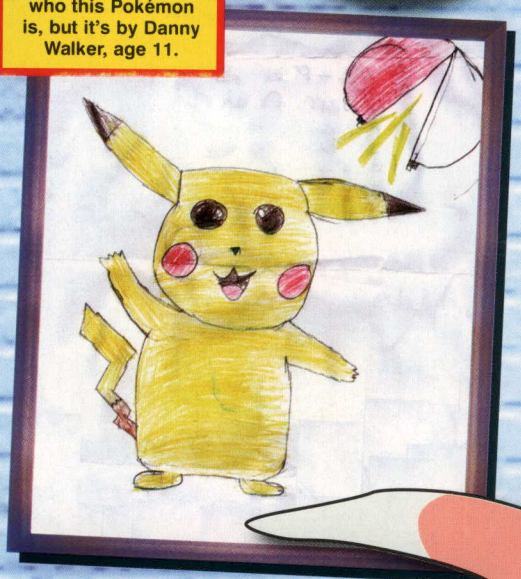


The Pokémon world postbag has been close to bursting with great artwork – thanks a million! Keep 'em comin...

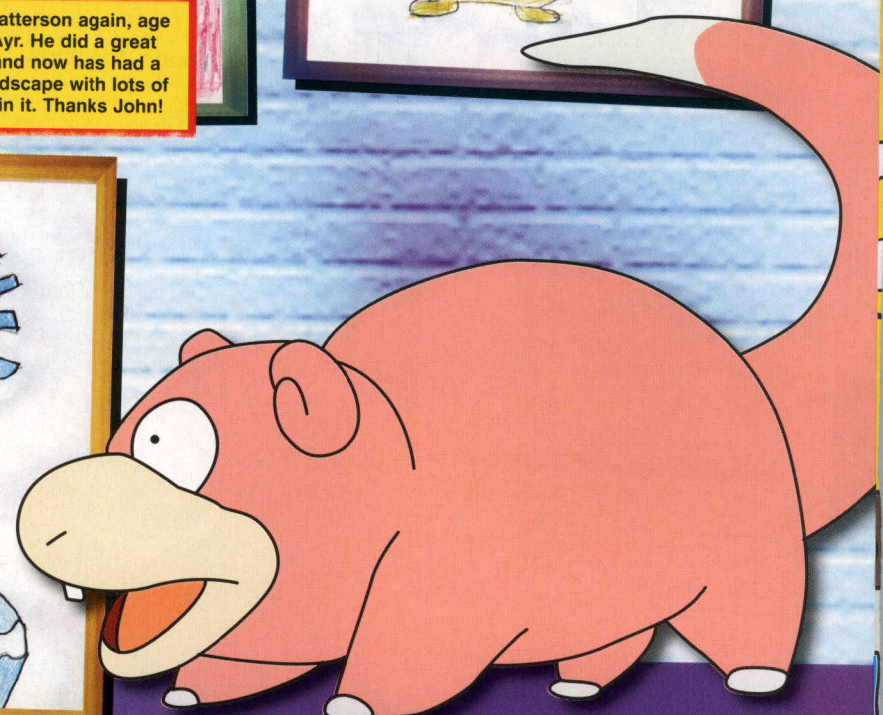
Send your pictures to the usual address, marking the envelope 'Pika-Pics'. Ta!

It's John Patterson again, age 11 from Ayr. He did a great monster and now has had a go at a landscape with lots of Pokémon in it. Thanks John!

We don't really know who this Pokémon is, but it's by Danny Walker, age 11.



Great picture of Articuno here from someone who mysteriously calls themselves L.A., aged 12 from Eastbourne.



Matthew MacDonald, age 7 from Wirral has done an alternative drawing of Treecko, all done with biro. Nice one Matthew!

Here you go Tarina Lastella, age 10 from Eastbourne. Your wish is our command!

Well done Maya Jakes, age 9. This is a great picture of Pikachu. He looks really happy!

James Clark, aged 9, from Essex has sent in this picture of all his favourite Pokémon. What a great team this lot would make!

We really don't know what's going on, but this is another picture from Eastbourne! It's from Reece Mockford again.

HEY, AQUA HERE... I WOULD LOVE TO SEE IF YOU COULD DRAW ME, OR ANYTHING OTHER THAN PIKACHU REALLY!

POKÉMON TRADING CARD GAME

New Card Expansion Released!

EX DRAGON FRONTIERS

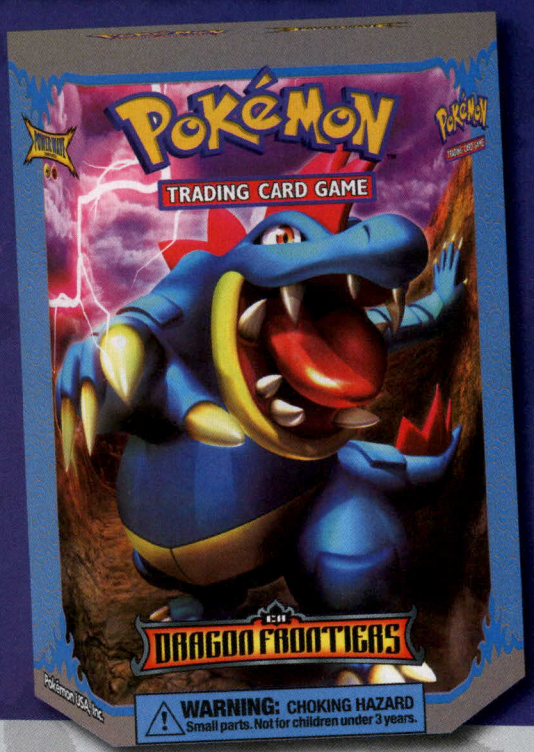
How is your trading card collection? Time to buy some more cards?

What has got two new Theme Decks, is stuffed full of just Delta Species Pokémon, introduces two new attack effects (Shockwave and Imprison), has ten powerful Pokémon EX and two legendary Star Pokémon, an exciting holographic parallel set for players and collectors alike, reprints of some useful trainers (and less than useful trainers) and at 101 cards is the latest Trading Card Game expansion from Nintendo?

The answer is of course EX Dragon Frontiers! We take a first look at the set, revisit the basic rules applying to Delta Species Pokémon, give you a card checklist, and following our visits to pre-release tournaments around the UK, we give you the information on what cards are currently hot and what cards are not from this new expansion set.

The set is based around all new Delta Species Pokémon. It is going to be a must-have for those players looking to exploit the potential of these cards and those from the last few sets, especially EX Delta Species, EX Holon Phantoms and EX Crystal Guardians.

First though let us just clarify the basic rulings and give you a few pointers about Pokémon tagged with Delta Species. They first appeared in the EX Delta Species expansion and most have two energy types; one of which is always the Metal Type. These Pokémon follow the standard rules for dual-type Pokémon; that is they are always both types at the same



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EX Dragon Frontiers Card Checklist

- ☐ 1. Ampharos
- ☐ 2. Feraligatr
- ☐ 3. Heracross
- ☐ 4. Meganium
- ☐ 5. Milotic
- ☐ 6. Nidoking
- ☐ 7. Nidoqueen
- ☐ 8. Ninetales
- ☐ 9. Pinsir
- ☐ 10. Snorlax
- ☐ 11. Togetic
- ☐ 12. Typhlosion
- ☐ 13. Arbok
- ☐ 14. Cloyster
- ☐ 15. Dewgong
- ☐ 16. Gligar
- ☐ 17. Jynx
- ☐ 18. Ledian
- ☐ 19. Lickitung
- ☐ 20. Mantine
- ☐ 21. Quagsire
- ☐ 22. Seadra
- ☐ 23. Tropius
- ☐ 24. Vibrava
- ☐ 25. Xatu
- ☐ 26. Bayleef
- ☐ 27. Croconaw
- ☐ 28. Dragonair
- ☐ 29. Electabuzz
- ☐ 30. Flaaffy
- ☐ 31. Horsea
- ☐ 32. Kirlia
- ☐ 33. Kirlia
- ☐ 34. Nidorina
- ☐ 35. Nidorino
- ☐ 36. Quilava
- ☐ 37. Seadra
- ☐ 38. Shelgon
- ☐ 39. Smeargle
- ☐ 40. Swellow
- ☐ 41. Togepi
- ☐ 42. Vibrava
- ☐ 43. Bagon
- ☐ 44. Chikorita
- ☐ 45. Cyndaquil
- ☐ 46. Dratini
- ☐ 47. Ekans
- ☐ 48. Elekid
- ☐ 49. Feebas
- ☐ 50. Horsea
- ☐ 51. Larvitar
- ☐ 52. Larvitar
- ☐ 53. Ledyba
- ☐ 54. Mareep
- ☐ 55. Natu
- ☐ 56. Nidoran
- ☐ 57. Nidoran
- ☐ 58. Pupitar
- ☐ 59. Pupitar
- ☐ 60. Ralts
- ☐ 61. Ralts
- ☐ 62. Seel
- ☐ 63. Shellder
- ☐ 64. Smoochum
- ☐ 65. Swablu
- ☐ 66. Taillow
- ☐ 67. Totodile
- ☐ 68. Trapinch
- ☐ 69. Trapinch
- ☐ 70. Vulpix
- ☐ 71. Wooper
- ☐ 72. Buffer Piece
- ☐ 73. Copycat
- ☐ 74. Holon Legacy
- ☐ 75. Holon Mentor
- ☐ 76. Island Hermit
- ☐ 77. Mr. Stone's Project
- ☐ 78. Old Rod
- ☐ 79. Professor Elm's Training Method
- ☐ 80. Professor Oak's Research
- ☐ 81. Strength Charm
- ☐ 82. TV Reporter
- ☐ 83. Switch
- ☐ 84. Holon Energy FF
- ☐ 85. Holon Energy GL
- ☐ 86. Holon Energy WP
- ☐ 87. Boost Energy
- ☐ 88. Scramble Energy
- ☐ 89. Rainbow Energy
- ☐ 90. Altaria EX
- ☐ 91. Dragonite EX
- ☐ 92. Flygon EX
- ☐ 93. Gardevoir EX
- ☐ 94. Kingdra EX
- ☐ 95. Latias EX
- ☐ 96. Latios EX
- ☐ 97. Rayquaza EX
- ☐ 98. Salamence EX
- ☐ 99. Tyranitar EX
- ☐ 100. Charizard
- ☐ 101. Mew

time, with Weakness and Resistance being applied for both types. This means if you had a Psychic and Metal Pokémon and attacked your opponent's defending Pokémon that was resistant to Psychic but weak to Metal, then you would double the damage for the weakness to Metal and then subtract 30 damage from the attack, due to the resistance. Also remember to treat Delta Species Pokémon just like their regular counterparts when it comes to the restriction of four of any one card in a deck.

The Delta Species tag on the card is not part of the card name so you can only have four of a 'named Pokémon' in your deck, some of them could be tagged Delta Species and some not! Also do not forget that you can evolve a Pokémon to/from a Delta Species tagged Pokémon to/from a tagged/untagged Pokémon at any stage of the evolution chain.

For example: Charmander with no Delta Species tag to Chameleon tagged Delta Species and then onto Charizard tagged or untagged, even onto Charizard EX – phew!

As Pokémon Organised Play (POP) put it, "Apply the normal rules for evolving Pokémon (the only difference between a regular Shelgon and a Delta Species

Shelgon is that some cards will interact with Delta Species Pokémon in a different way)."

Now we have cleared up some of the basic points related to Delta Species Pokémon let us get down to looking at the cards from the EX Dragon Frontiers Expansion.

First up are the EX Pokémon with the two new attack effects – Shockwave and Imprison.

Gardevoir EX Delta Species

Gardevoir ex
150 HP
STAGE 2
Imprison
Once during your turn (before your attack), if Gardevoir ex is your Active Pokémon, you may put an Imprison marker on 1 of your opponent's Pokémon. Any Pokémon that has any Imprison markers on it can't use any Poké-Powers or Poké-Bodies. This power can't be used if Gardevoir ex is affected by a Special Condition.
Flame Ball
80
You may move a Energy card attached to Gardevoir ex to 1 of your Benched Pokémon.

This card has a nice new Pokémon power to go with a new red Fire Type look. The Imprison Poké-POWER lets you put an Imprison marker on one of your opponent's Pokémon and, whilst that marker is on that Pokémon and Gardevoir EX Delta Species is unaffected by any special conditions, your opponent's Imprisoned Pokémon cannot use Poké-POWERS or Poké-BODIES.

"So what!" you cry. Well unlike Battle Frontier and Space Center, Imprison markers can be placed on any Pokémon regardless of type, evolution stage or name – and retreating doesn't get rid of the marker! Only by evolving or de-evolving can the marker be removed at all.

Being able to select and turn off the Poké-POWERS and Poké-BODIES of your opponent's Pokémon will give you a huge advantage, we will be watching for Gardevoir EX Delta Species decks to see just how well they will do and whether Gardevoir EX Delta Species lives up to its promise?

Tyranitar EX Delta Species

Tyranitar ex
150 HP
STAGE 2
Electromark
Put a Shock-wave marker on 1 of your opponent's Pokémon.
Hyper Claws
70+
If the Defending Pokémon is a Stage 2 Evolved Pokémon, this attack does 70 damage plus 20 more damage.
Shock-wave
Choose 1 of your opponent's Pokémon that has any Shock-wave markers on it. That Pokémon is Knocked Out.

The Electromark and Shockwave attacks on Tyranitar EX Delta Species are just amazing! At an attack cost of just one lightning and one colourless energy, Electromark lets you put a Shockwave marker on one of your opponent's Pokémon, and then turn by attaching an additional lightning energy you can use Tyranitar EX Delta Species to attack with Shockwave which will knock out any one of your opponent's Pokémon that has a Shockwave marker attached to it.

Now you can hunt the biggest and baddest Pokémon on your opponent's bench and knock it out within two turns. Just look out for the Safeguard Pokémon as their Poké-BODY protection from the damage and attack effects of EX Pokémon will mean you cannot attach a Shockwave marker to them.

Then, again with Gardevoir EX Delta Species active, first you could use its Poké-POWER to attach an Imprison marker and turn off that pesky Safeguard Poké-BODY before retreating to make way for Tyranitar EX Delta Species. Do remember to use Tyranitar EX Delta Species Hyper Claws attack – a potential 90 damage for three energy is very good indeed.

Next is a Dragon Pokémon with no weakness, a big 150 HP and two attacks that look very useful.

Imprison & Shockwave Markers

These are special markers that exist only in EX Dragon Frontiers and will be included instead of the regular Burned and Poisoned Special Condition markers in theme decks for this expansion. After one of these markers has been attached to a Pokémon, it is removed ONLY when the Pokémon evolves or devolves. (Retreating does not remove it.) Cards such as Double Full Heal or Heal Energy do not remove these new markers—an effect specifically has to mention Imprison or Shockwave markers for that effect to remove those markers.

Dragonite EX Delta Species

Dragonite ex
150 HP
STAGE 2
Deafen
40
Your opponent can't play any Trainer cards (except for Supporter cards) from his or her hand during your opponent's next turn.
Dragon Roar

It is big, it is bad and it is ORANGE! Dragonite EX Delta Species from Dragon Frontiers could be the centre of a new trainer denial deck. By using Dragonites Deafen attack to stop your opponent playing any trainers other than Supporters, just like Manectric EX's Disconnect attack, this means you can...

- Stop them accelerating their evolution chain by denying them the use of Rare Candy.
- Stop them finding the supporter card they need because they cannot now play Holon Transceiver.
- Deny them the use of their Stadium as well as Counter Stadium cards.
- Stop them from gaining control of active and defending Pokémon by stopping the use of Switch, Warp Point and Pokémon Reversal.
- Deny them the chance to save their big EX Pokémon by stopping Super Scoop Up.

With 150 HP and no weakness, Dragonite scores over Manectric EX in that it is more sustainable and can soak up more damage. The downside to the orange beast is that in the speed race, Manectric EX wins as it is a Stage One Evolution and has Electrikes Recharge attack to suck energy cards from your deck.

It is the second attack of the big orange Pokémon that has us interested too. If you spend a couple of turns denying trainers to your opponent and doing 40 damage a time you will find that you can knock out some of the biggest Pokémon using Dragonite EX Delta Species Dragon Roar attack and then place any excess damage from any of the eight damage counters not needed to knock out the defending Pokémon on your opponent's other Pokémon in any way you like.

We at Pokémon World can see Dragonite EX Delta Species causing a few headaches at tournaments in the future.

Latias and Latios EX Delta Species

Latios ex
100 HP
BASIC
Poké-BODY
Link Wing
The Retreat Cost for each of your Latias, Latias ex, Latios, and Latios ex is 0.
Ice Barrier
30
Prevent all effects of an attack, including damage, done to Latios ex by your opponent's Pokémon ex during your opponent's next turn.
Hydro Splash
60

These next two EX Pokémon have spawned a whole new deck type in Japan and they are bound to be a hit here in the UK too. Latias EX Delta Species and Latios EX Delta Species are crying out to be used together and with Latias EX using the Fellow Boost Poké-POWER to attach an extra Energy to one of your Latias, Latias EX, Latias EX Delta Species, Latios, Latios EX, Latios EX Delta Species.

Latias ex
100 HP
BASIC
Poké-POWER
Fellow Boost
Once during your turn (before your attack), you may attach a basic Energy card from your hand to your Latias, Latias ex, Latios, or Latios ex. If you do, your turn ends. This power can't be used if Latias ex is affected by a Special Condition.
Power Crush
90
If the Defending Pokémon is Knocked Out by this attack, discard 2 Energy attached to Latias ex.

Okay it ends your turn but combined with Holon Castform and you can really start beating down on your opponent on your second turn and have a arsenal of potential attackers ready to go very quickly. Latias EX Delta Species crushes your opponent's early Pokémon while the Latios EX Delta Species can sort out those big Fire Pokémon and give you handy protection from your opponent's Pokémon EX, not to mention free retreat costs for your Latias and Latios due to the Link Wing Poké-BODY.

These two really could be the core to a future Nationals winner, they look to be a great and versatile deck choice and are a definite Hot Pick.

Speaking of Hot Picks, our next two card choices show that Royalty always comes through in the end, yes the Queen and to some extent the King are back!

Nidoqueen Delta Species and Nidoking Delta Species

Monarchy may be set to make a comeback with the appearance of these two Pokémon. With its Invitation Poké-POWER and solid Vengeance attack, Nidoqueen is a good choice as a main hitter and being a metal type could be a pain for your opponent to knock out, combine it with Holon Adventurer, Holon Mentor and Holon Legacy – a stadium card that takes away weakness for all Delta Species Pokémon and the Queen is back!

And the King? Well he is looking pretty good too, his Dark Horn attack complements the Queen well and combined with Holon Adventurer you could have a discard pile loaded with Delta Species Pokémon whilst your Queen comes and cleans up doing 90 points of damage a turn.

We really are running out of space here to cover all the other great Pokémon in the set so we hope you have liked our hot picks so far?

There are some other cards we do just want to mention before we go. Copycat makes a welcome return in this set and Holon Mentor and Delta Rainbow Energy are reprinted too. Having another set to from which we can grab these valuable Delta Species cards really has got to be good.

TRAINER
Supporter
Copycat
You can play only one Supporter card each turn. When you play this card, put it next to your Active Pokémon. When your turn ends, discard this card.
Shuffle your hand into your deck. Then, count the number of cards in your opponent's hand and draw that many cards.

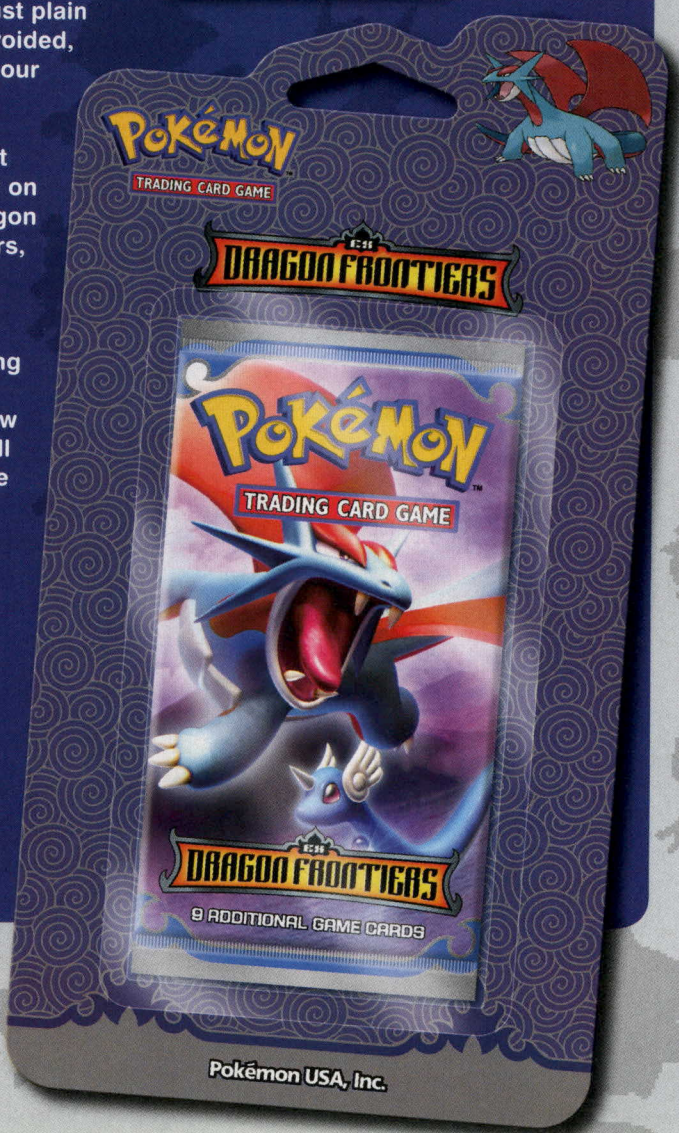
Flygon EX Delta Species is a beast of a card spreading damage counters all over your opponent's Pokémon with its Sand Damage Poké-BODY and Psychic Pulse attack. It will be played a lot so watch out for it!

And the bad in the set? Well it is perhaps too early to tell, we do think that one card Old Rod stinks, it is just plain BAD and should be avoided, use Holon Farmer in your decks instead.

That's it for now on EX Dragon Frontiers, with the City Championships and other UK Nationals qualifying events starting in November, this new set looks like it will really shake up the current Pokémon TCG Metagame quite a bit. We'll give you the low-down on some of those emerging decks in the next issue together with more news of what is happening where in Pokémon World – the biggest and best Pokémon magazine in the UK.

Hottest Cards in the Set?

The hottest cards in the set are bound to be the Ultra Rare Star Pokémon, Charizard Star and Mew Star. They are going to be a real treat for collectors, Mew will see play in decks whilst Charizard will be hot just because he is



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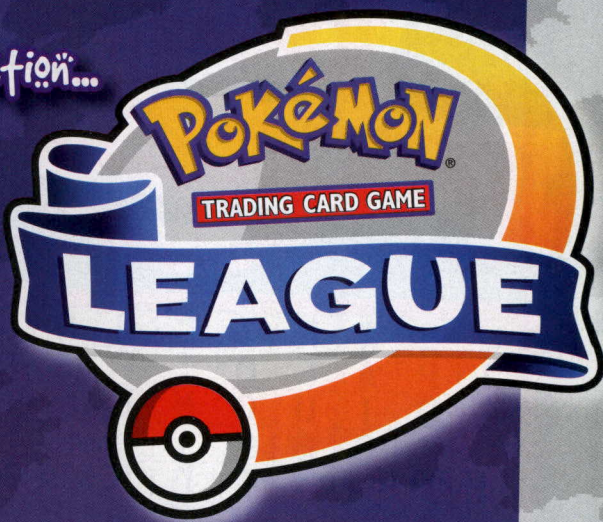

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70 words or phrases to find in total, some are the names of Pokémon in the grid – good luck!

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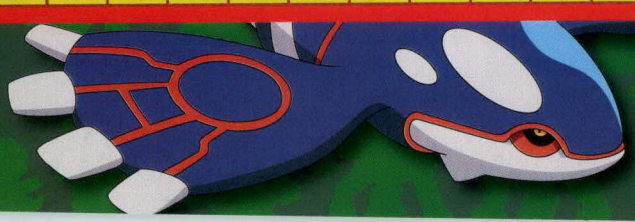

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Here's a challenging Spot The Difference for you! We've messed around with picture two and made 10 changes. Can you find 'em all?

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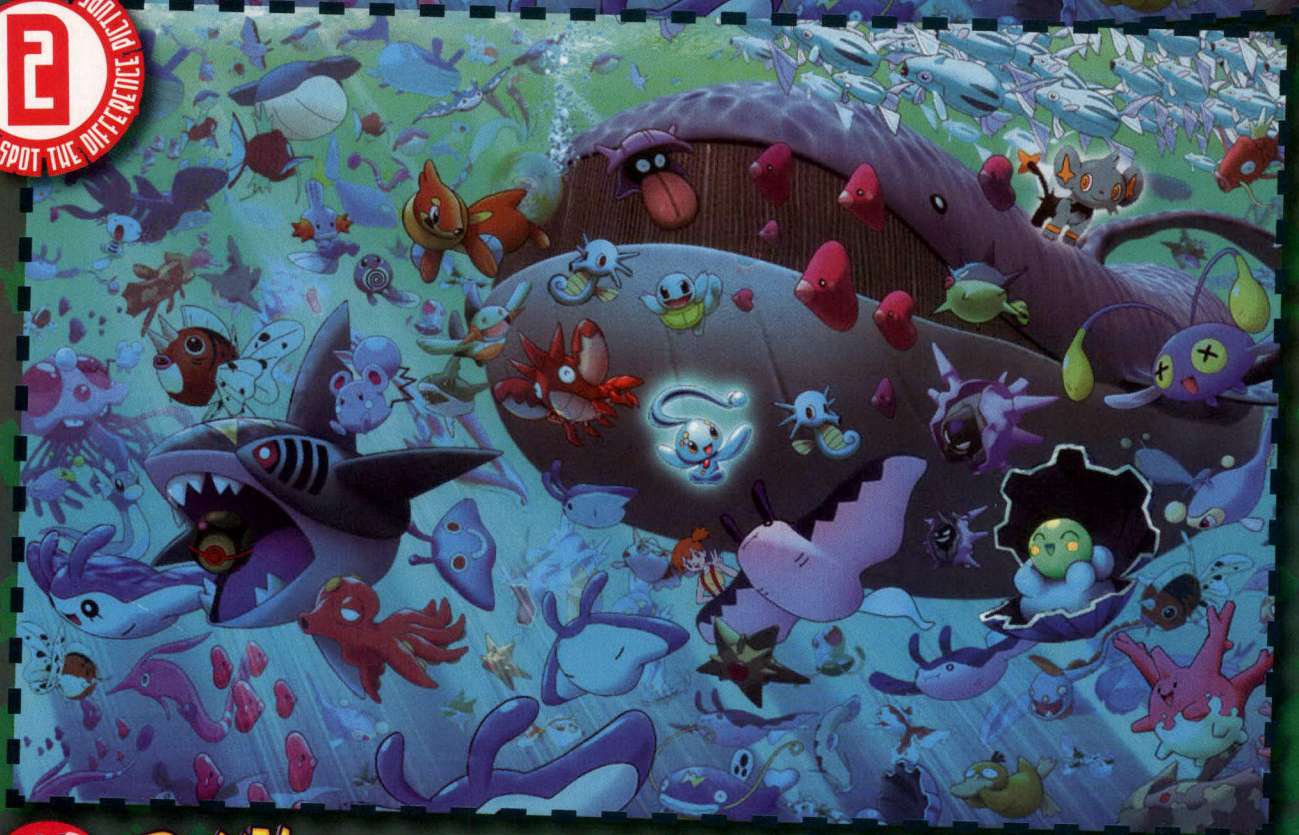
2 SPOT THE DIFFERENCE PICTURE



christmas tree mazer

finish

Latias has got stuck at the bottom of the Christmas tree and would love to get back inside his Pokéball. Can you help him through the maze by drawing a line with a coloured pen and making sure you don't back track over your lines? Tricky stuff!

start

poke shadow shapes!

Arrgggh! The lights have gone out! Can you help Stu Yew find his Pokémon in the dark? Watch out, some of them bite!

NUMBER	NAME
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ace anagrams

Five Dark Pokémon are lurking in this box, their names have been all jumbled up. Can you unscramble them?

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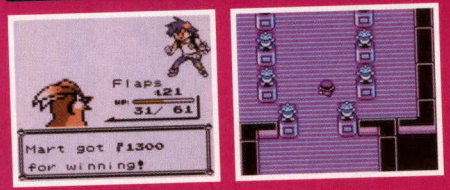
Pokémon Red and Blue

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



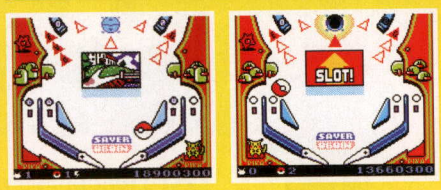
In September 1999, Pokémon arrived in the UK and went on to sell by the bucketload! A small boy is given his first Pokémon by Professor Oak and asked to catch and train all 151 Pokémon to become a Pokémon Master. You must train your monster to fight and then try to outwit the wild Pokémon hiding in long grass and caves.

Summing up:
Where it all started: still fun to play today!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Pinball

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



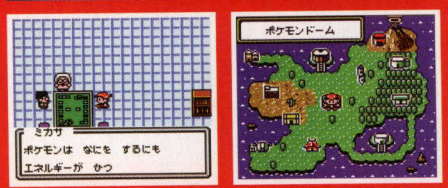
You're guaranteed serious fun here! The only down side is that rather than following the ball around the table, the on-screen view flips from the top to bottom, which can make you feel queasy when you're concentrating! The combination of monster catching and addictive action is a sure-fire winner though – it was certainly a big hit with us!

Summing up:
A great play for pinball and Pokéfans alike!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Trading Card Game

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



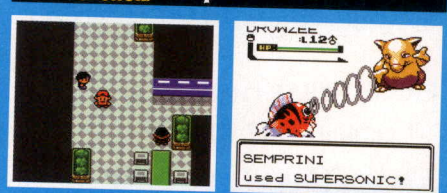
This game includes all the elements of the Wizards card game. Anyone who has played the Trading Card Game will love this Game Boy version, as it enables you to practise playing cards without damaging your trophies. For other fans, this could be a great way to learn how to play, so look out for a cheap copy next time you're out shopping!

Summing up:
All Pokémon trainers need this game!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Gold and Silver

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



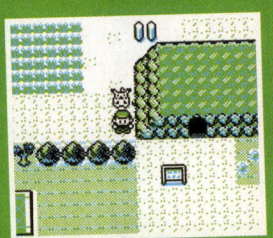
The follow-ups to the hugely successful Red, Blue and Yellow, these fantastic Game Boy titles introduced a whole new world to the budding Pokémon Master – the land of Johto. Players must travel around, as before, catching and training Pokémon, but with exciting new features such as real-time play.

Summing up:
The king and queen of Pokémon games!

Score 5/5

Pokémon Yellow

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 1



After the success of the cartoon series, Nintendo released this follow-up to the first two games. Pokémon Yellow is similar to Pokémon Red and Blue, only you will receive Pikachu as your very first Pokémon and he will follow you around all the time, like in the cartoon. You will still need to trade to catch 'em all – but other than that, it is almost the same game as Red and Blue.

Summing up:
Nearly the same as Red and Blue

Score 4/5

Pokémon Colosseum

Format: GameCube
Issue reviewed: 38

Playing a lot like Pokémon Stadium on the N64 but without the mini-games, Colosseum features what is quite simply, the best battle system and Story mode ever created. Supporting all 386 monsters of the Pokémon world, Colosseum also gives you the chance to catch Jirachi himself. It also doesn't hurt to have the best graphics of any Pokémon game before it!

Summing up:
Probably the best Pokémon game yet!

Score 5/5

Pokémon Crystal

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 4

The latest instalment in the Pokémon saga is an alternative edition of Gold and Silver that is, essentially, the ultimate Pokémon GBC game – provided you don't own Gold or Silver. Anyone who does will find it all strangely familiar! However, little enhancements, like animated battle sequences, add to the experience and some Pokémon locations and frequencies have changed, meaning Pokémaniacs will still find this Nintendo gem a sparkling little treat!

Summing up:
The last instalment on the GBC is a great way to end the series!

Score 3/5

Pokémon Puzzle Challenge

Format: Game Boy Color
Issue reviewed: 8

Pokémon on the Game Boy isn't just about collecting monsters and working out in gyms, you know – oh no! This backwards Tetris-style game has players busting blocks at speed, and is totally and utterly addictive. It's the perfect game to fill the time between monster battling – but are your fingers fast enough?

Summing up:
This version of Tetris, the greatest puzzler ever, is great to play!

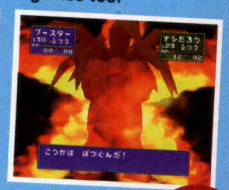
Score 4/5

GAMES REVIEWED!

Pokémon Stadium

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 3

The first N64 Pokémon game comes with an attachment to connect the console to the Game Boy. The Transfer Pak enables you to upload your very own captured and trained Pokémon and battle them in full 3D on the N64. There is a wide range of cups and challenges to complete and when you are ready you can take on the Gym Leaders. There are nine mini-games too!



Summing up: Pokémon look great with the N64's graphics!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Snap

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue Reviewed: 3

Snap is a highly enjoyable and surprisingly addictive game for the Nintendo 64, which sees you travelling around photographing wild Pokémon in their habitats. Unfortunately, it's completed just a little too easily. On the plus side though, you have every reason to keep coming back again and again to try and improve your Pokémon pictures!

Summing up: Take photos of all your favourite Pokémon!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Stadium 2

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 7

After the storming success of the first Pokémon Stadium game, this 3D battlefest has now burst on to the Pokémon scene, complete with 249 monsters ready for battle. It follows the same idea as the original, but boasts a whole stack of wacky new features, including new tournaments, brain-busting quizzes and more!

Summing up: A bit too easy, but there's loads of replay value!

Score 4/5

Hey You, Pikachu!

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 4

At the end of the day, the idea of talking to Pikachu is something of a letdown. Our yellow pal seems to find it very hard to understand a lot of what you say and the games that you get to play with him are very simple and ultimately rather dull. Hey You, Pikachu! is a game which is very novel to begin with, and fun for a while, but it quickly becomes boring.

Summing up: Awkward to play and a bit too techie.

Score 3/5

Pokémon Channel

Format: GameCube
Issue reviewed: 37

Although this joyous title is sitting in the shadow of Colosseum, there's no denying that it is certainly one of the most original Pokémon videogames of all time! With Pikachu as the main star, the aim of the game is to get the Pokémon TV station up and running. To do this you must play through a whole host of superb games, including Odd One Out, Mareep Farm, Smeargle's Art Study and our personal favourite, Smoochum Shape-Up which sees Pikachu try and burn some calories in front of the telly! It may be similar to the N64's Hey You Pikachu! but there's no denying that this is one brilliant game!

Summing up: A brilliant addition to the Poké-franchise!

Score 5/5

Pokémon Puzzle League

Format: Nintendo 64
Issue reviewed: 5

This N64 Pokémon game will have you bashing your joypad frantically in a move-blocks-or-die puzzlefest to end all puzzlefests. Crazily addictive, this Tetris-inspired game sparked furious rivalries in the normally mild-mannered Pokémon World team, the likes of which haven't been seen since Professor Yew won the egg and spoon race in the office sports day!

Summing up: Incredibly addictive and competitive!

Score 4/5

Pokémon Ruby and Sapphire

Format: Game Boy Advance
Issue Reviewed: 29

After all the waiting, Ruby and Sapphire didn't disappoint. With loads of monsters, two-on-two battles, the new land of Hoenn to explore and many more exciting extras, these are must-have games! So far, only 200 Pokémon are available, but they're all in there somewhere! This is highly recommended for all Pokéfans, and even people who don't like Pokémon might change their minds after playing these games!

Summing up: Fantastic! We can't get enough of them!

Score 5/5

Warning! Some of the older games on these pages might be hard to find, particularly for old systems like the N64. You'll probably have to buy online or do a bit of searching in second-hand videogame stores.

monster of christmas!

Stantler

Evolution: None

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Type: Normal **Height:** 4' 7" **Weight:** 157 lbs

Special Ability: Intimidate

Description: It's Christmas you see, so we've chosen a reindeer! Stantler's magnificent antlers were traded at high prices as works of art. As a result, this Pokémon was hunted close to extinction by those who were after the priceless antlers. But hey, it's Christmas so let's not think about killing deer. Let's watch Bambi...

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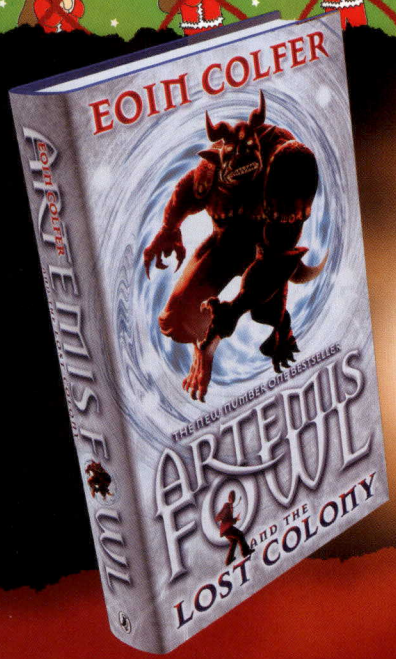

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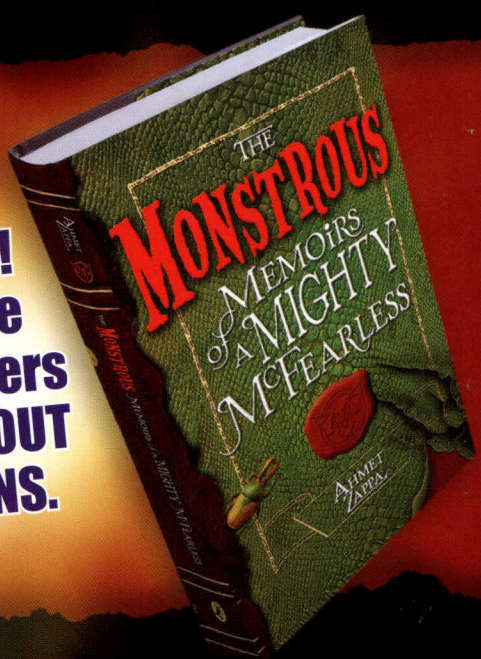

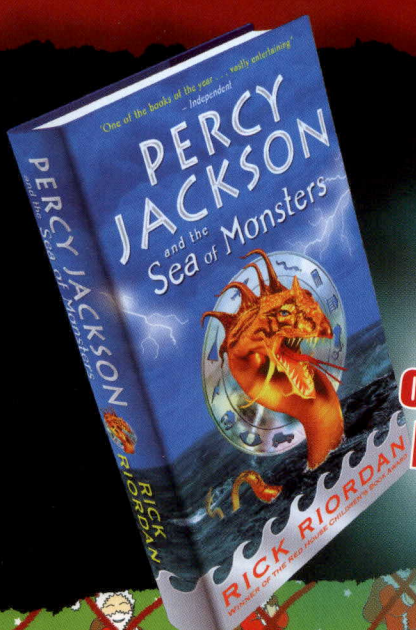

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